



Booker T. Washington vs W.E.B. DuBois



Immediately following the Civil War, African Americans were faced with great discrimination and suffering. The newly free slaves were faced with the dilemma of carving a niche in a society that once regarded them as nothing more than property. During this period, two figures emerged as the preeminent leaders of two different philosophical camps. Booker T. Washington of Virginia and William Edward Burghardt DuBois of Massachusetts, held two very different proposals regarding the best way for African Americans to improve their situations. While their methods may have differed, both of these remarkable men had a common goal in the uplift of the black community.

Born in Franklin County, Virginia in the mid-1850s, Booker T. Washington spent his early childhood in slavery. Following emancipation, Washington (like many Blacks) felt that a formal-

ized education was the best way to improve his living standards. Due to social segregation, the availability of education for blacks in was fairly limited. In response, Washington traveled to Hampton Institute where he undertook industrial education. At Hampton, his studies focused on the acquisition of industrial or practical working skills as opposed to the liberal arts. Because of his experiences at Hampton, Washington went on to become an educator as well as an adamant supporter of industrial education, ultimately founding the Tuskegee Normal and Agricultural Institute. Washington felt that the best way for blacks to stabilize their future was to make themselves an indispensable faction of society by providing a necessity. "The individual who can do something that the world wants done will, in the end, make his way regardless of his race" (Washington 155).

As a Southerner himself, Washington was familiar with the needs of southern blacks as well as the treatment that they received. Washington stressed that Blacks should stop agitating for voting and civil rights not only in exchange for economic gains and security, but also for reduced anti-black violence. As such, his philosophies were more popular amongst southern blacks than northern blacks. Washington also garnered a large following from both northern and southern whites. Northern whites appreciated his efforts in a time when they were growing increasingly weary of the race problem; one that they associated with the South. Southern whites appreciated his efforts, because they perceived them as a complete surrender to segregation and self-uptift.

Born in Massachusetts 1868 in Great Barrington, Massachusetts, W. E. B. DuBois grew up

both free and in the North. Ergo, he did not experience the harsh conditions of slavery or of southern prejudice. He grew up in a predominately white environment, attended Fisk University as an undergraduate and later became the first African American to receive a doctorate from Harvard University. DuBois believe in what he called the "the talented tenth" of the black population who, through there intellectual accomplishments, would rise up to lead the black masses.

Unlike Washington DuBois felt that equality with whites was of the utmost importance. More politically militant than Washington, DuBois demonstrated his political beliefs through his involvement in the Niagara Movement, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and served as editor of The Crisis, a black political magazine. He felt that blacks should educate themselves in the liberal

tradition, just as whites. DuBois' more radical approach was received well by other northern freemen.

One of the biggest disagreements in philosophies between the two was over the issue of black suffrage. In terms of voting, DuBois believed that agitating for the ballot was necessary, but opposed giving the vote to the uneducated blacks. He believed that economic gains were not secure unless there was political power to safeguard them. This is shown in this comment from DuBois regarding Booker T. Washington: "He (Washington) is striving nobly to make Negro artisans business men and property-owners; but it is utterly impossible, under modern competitive methods, for workingmen and property-owners to defend their rights and exist without the right of suffrage" (DuBois 68). Washington, on the other hand, felt that DuBois' militant

agitation did more harm than good and served only to irritate southern whites. "I think, though, that the opportunity to freely exercise such political rights will not come in any large degree through outside or artificial forcing..." (Washington 234).

While there were many points of contention between Washington and DuBois, there were similarities in their philosophies as well. Both worked adamantly against lynching and opposed racially motivated violence. While Washington may have stressed industrial education over liberal arts, he did believe that liberal arts were beneficial (Washington 203). Furthermore, DuBois greatly appreciated and acknowledged many of Washington's noteworthy accomplishments (DuBois 68). Though both men can be criticized on various aspects of their approaches, both DuBois and Washington were key figures in the advancement of African Americans.

The Daring Disguise That Helped One Enslaved Couple Escape To Freedom

In the mid 19th century in Macon, Georgia, a man and woman fell in love, married and, as many young couples do, began thinking about starting a family. But Ellen and William Craft were both enslaved and were well aware that any of their future children could be ripped away at any moment and sold as property. So, they devised a bold escape plan.

Ellen would travel from Macon, Georgia to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania by train—masquerading as a white man and slaveholder. Her husband, William, would pose as her enslaved valet. It was a risky idea, but their background had prepared them for the moment.

Both Faced Separation From Family in Childhood

Ellen was born in 1826, the illegitimate biracial daughter of a slaveholder and a woman enslaved to him, in Clinton, Georgia. Her fair skin and facial features so strongly resembled her father that she was often mistaken as a member of the family, which frustrated the slaveholder's wife. In response, the wife "gave" Ellen to her daughter—Ellen's half-sister—in Macon.

William is thought to be born around rural Georgia in 1824. In order for his slaveholder to repay his debts, 16-year-old William, his brother, sister and parents, were torn apart and sold to different slaveholders, with William ending up in Macon.

It was in this southern town

that William and Ellen met and later wed, although the specifics remain unknown. What is known is that the pair was determined to have children and live as a free family. Because Ellen shared many resemblances with her father, they decided she could pull off a disguise as a white man. In fact, the idea wasn't completely novel.

Using Disguise as Escape

"There were other stories of mixed-race enslaved people, enslaved people who looked white, who passed for white," says Barbara McCaskill, Professor of English at the University of Georgia and author of *Love, Liberation, and Escaping Slavery: William and Ellen Craft in Cultural Memory*. McCaskill adds there were also other cases of enslaved people disguising themselves in the opposite gender. When it came to escaping the bonds of slavery, Black people, she says, "got very creative."

William worked as a carpenter under his slaveholder, and the majority of his earnings were taken by his owner. But he managed to save enough to finance his and Ellen's escape. Ellen was a house servant to her half-sister, where she worked as a seamstress, among other domestic duties. With her skills, she was able to stitch her disguise.

Neither William nor Ellen could read or write, since it was forbidden for enslaved people to study. In order to hide her illiteracy, Ellen placed her arm in



Ellen Craft, depicted in the clothes she wore for her escape disguised as a man.

a sling to avoid drawing attention to herself if any signatures were required along the way. She also covered her face in bandages to hide her feminine features.

"[Both William and Ellen] concoct the story that she is very ill. And she's suffering from some kind of...tooth problem, along with arthritis," says McCaskill. "At that time, middle of the 19th century, Philadelphia was a medical center in the United States. It was renowned for its hospitals, its spas, its cutting-edge medical practices."

It was a convenient coverup: A southern white slaveholder, riddled with injuries traveling with his enslaved worker to help

him on the journey for medical treatment. The mouth injury was also used as an alibi for hiding her voice and possibly talking to anyone and raising flags that she wasn't who she appeared to be, according to McCaskill.

Both William and Ellen were trusted by their slaveholders, so they were able to acquire travel passes—authorization that allowed enslaved people to travel without fear of being arrested—and avoid raising suspicions as they started their escape in December 1848.

There was a terrifying close call, however, when Ellen, who was traveling as William Johnson, ran into a friend of her slaveholder at the Macon station. Ellen found herself sitting next to the man who was well-acquainted with Ellen in her former life. She worried that her cover would be blown and that both she and William would be killed. At the time, surveillance had been heightened for fugitive enslaved people in the 1820s and '30s, following a string of revolts.

Luck was on their side, however, and Ellen wasn't recognized. The pair traveled onward from Macon to Savannah, Georgia and then crossed the state line into Charleston, South Carolina. The duo was so convincing that, according to an account later written by William Craft, Ellen was often advised by passersby to avoid abolitionists since they would look to free William along the way.



BILL CHANGING ELECTIONS IN MOST POPULOUS NC COUNTY ADVANCES

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — A bill that advanced Tuesday in the North Carolina House would change how county commissioners are elected in the state's most populous county, drawing criticism from Democrats who do not want Republican state lawmakers interfering in their local elections.

The local bill, which could not be vetoed by the Democratic governor, would make Wake County's commissioner elections nonpartisan and require that members be elected by district, rather than the county at large.

While board members represent seven county commissioner districts, the entire county currently votes for each candidate. Democrats have held every seat on the seven-member panel since 2014.

The House Local Government Committee advanced the proposal in a 7-6 party-line vote, despite the board's opposition. It now heads to the Rules Committee.

Bill sponsor Rep. Erin Paré, the lone Republican in Wake County's legislative delegation, said the change would improve representation in the county's less populated pockets and in unincorporated communities, which can't elect local leadership and rely on representation at the county level.

"The voices of smaller towns and communities around Wake are overwhelmed by Wake's population centers," Paré said. "Cary and Raleigh combined make up 55% of the electorate, effectively dominating the county-wide vote at the expense of smaller communities."

Board members are currently elected to staggered four-year terms in partisan races.

While all 100 North Carolina counties currently elect their commissioners in partisan elections, Paré said the transition to nonpartisan elections would cater to Wake's large population of unaffiliated voters who can't currently participate in the primaries.

Wake, with 1.15 million residents as of mid-2021, surpassed Mecklenburg County as the state's most populous county in 2019, according to census estimates. It includes the capital city of Raleigh and its rapidly growing suburbs.

The Wake County Democratic Party criticized the proposal in a statement on Twitter, calling it "nothing more than an extreme NC GOP partisan tactic to suppress votes and assert control" over local affairs.

Dr. Shirley Ann Jackson Is Featured In 'Finding Your Roots'

The Honorable Shirley Ann Jackson, Ph.D., is the 18th president of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, the oldest technological research university in the United States, where she has led an extraordinary transformation since 1999. Described by Time Magazine as "perhaps the ultimate role model for women in science," Dr. Jackson has held senior leadership positions in academia, government, industry, and research. A theoretical physicist, Dr. Jackson holds an S.B. in Physics, and a Ph.D. in Theoretic-

cal Elementary Particle Physics, both from MIT.

In September 2014, United States President Barack Obama appointed Dr. Jackson as Co-Chair of the President's Intelligence Advisory Board, where she served until January 2017. Dr. Jackson also served on the U.S. Secretary of State International Security Advisory Board from 2011-2017, and the U.S. Secretary of Energy Advisory Board from 2013-2017. From 2009 to 2014, Dr. Jackson served on the President's Council of Advi-

sors on Science and Technology (PCAST), and, as part of PCAST, was Co-Chair of the President's Innovation and Technology Advisory Committee (PITAC).

Before taking the helm at Rensselaer, Dr. Jackson was Chairman of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), from 1995 to 1999. At the NRC, Dr. Jackson conceived and promulgated risk-informed, performance-based regulation and created a new planning, budgeting, and performance management process (PBPM). During her

tenure at the NRC, Dr. Jackson spearheaded the formation of the International Nuclear Regulators Association (INRA), and served as its Chairman from 1997-1999.

Dr. Jackson is a Life Member of the MIT Corporation, and a former Vice-Chair of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution. In October 2017, she was named Regent Emerita of the Smithsonian Institution. She serves on the boards of major corporations that include FedEx and IBM. She is a former mem-

ber of the board of the World Economic Forum USA (WEF USA).

Dr. Jackson is a member of the U.S. National Academy of Engineering, the American Philosophical Society, and the Council on Foreign Relations. She is an international fellow of the British Royal Academy of Engineering, and a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the American Physical Society, and the American Association for the Advancement of Science, of which she also served as past

president. She holds 53 honorary doctoral degrees.

In 2018, Dr. Jackson was awarded the W.E.B. DuBois medal from the Hutchins Center for African and African American Research at Harvard University. The medal honors those who have made significant contributions to African and African American history and culture, and more broadly, individuals who advocate for intercultural understanding and human rights in an increasingly global and interconnected world.

Family, Fellowship Still A Core Of CIAA Hoops Tournament

Friends, families and alumni who continue to make the trek to the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association Tournament often say they remember more about what they did and who they saw during the event than which school won the basketball championship.

The family reunion vibe and opportunities to fellowship have been a foundation for one of college basketball's most popular events, which kicks off Tuesday in Balti-

more.

Whether the tournament is in Maryland, Washington, D.C., Virginia or North Carolina, a loyal and proud contingent of fans show up and show out.

"It's a packed weekend, and you're trying to get it in," Theophilus Woodley of Charlotte, North Carolina, said recently in a Zoom interview with his family.

It doesn't matter that there hasn't been a player from the CIAA

to reach the NBA since Ronald "Flip" Murray (2002-10) and that fans don't get to see the likes of Hall of Famers Earl Monroe or Bobby Dandridge. The 22 men's and women's contests figure to be intense, but the trick is finding a way to watch basketball amid an off-court menu of events, not to mention connecting with schoolmates and friends.

Woodley, a Winston-Salem State graduate, began attending the CIAA in 1971 and had gone 45 consecutive years until missing last year's debut in Baltimore. Health reasons will keep him away again this week, but his daughter Thesha, also a WSSU grad and alumni engagement director, will represent the family.

"It's so many different things that you're going to have to do, everywhere you go," the 70-year-old Woodley recalled. "Everybody is there basically for the same thing. And so, everywhere you go, there's something to do. Just a welcome

experience."

Amaya Woodley, his daughter-in-law, added, "This is definitely a marathon, not a sprint."

That's been a core of the CIAA Tournament since 1946 and continues for the league composed of 12 historically Black colleges and universities (HBCUs) in NCAA Division II. It began in Washington, D.C., with an overflow crowd, and interest has remained high through stops in Virginia and North Carolina before returning to Baltimore last year for the first time since 1952.

But to think of the CIAA Tournament solely in basketball terms would be a disservice to its history, born out of segregation.

Generations of alumni, students and casual fans plan for it. The Woodleys' attendance is just one example of how its tradition and legacy is passed down.

"When you think about CIAA, it's just a part of my Black History Month, how I celebrate my culture

and connect with people," Thesha Woodley said. "Everywhere you go, somebody's wearing something and it just sparks conversation and friendship."

"Even if we're competing on the court, it's still like HBCU love. So, it's a really good experience."

"It's the biggest HBCU community homecoming in February, ever," said CIAA Commissioner Jacquie McWilliams, adding that there will be a Title IX celebration as well. "And we invite the entire HBCU community to be a part of this experience. It's the one time that we can really celebrate Black history together in a community that is a Black community."

The CIAA website touts its tournament among the nation's three highest-attended college basketball events among all NCAA divisions. The NCAA could not verify that ranking, though the governing body's record book shows the CIAA boasting Division II's top four single-game crowds, high-

lighted by the record 21,786 for Bowie State's 72-71 victory over Virginia Union for the 2003 men's title in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Last year's debut amid coronavirus pandemic concerns attracted more than 66,000 visitors to Baltimore and generated a \$19.6 million economic impact. President/CEO Al Hutchinson of Visit Baltimore expects those numbers to increase this year with restrictions lifted and a renovated, renamed CFG Bank Arena ready to host its first games.

Longtime Baltimore bar owner Ann Winder is ready for the additional business at The Place Lounge, an over-30 jazz, R&B and music bar located a few blocks north of the arena.

"Everyone I've spoken with are pretty excited about it," said Winder, who plans to attend tournament games. "I just go with the flow. ... It's not like my place is a huge place. But I can guarantee you that I'll be full."

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RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Virginia voters on Tuesday elected Democrat Jennifer McClellan, a veteran state legislator from Richmond, to fill an open seat in the U.S. House of Representatives, where she will make history as the first Black woman to represent the state in Congress.

"We will make this commonwealth and this country a better place for everyone," McClellan said in a victory speech at a party with supporters in Richmond. "I am ready to get to work."

McClellan, 50, prevailed over right-wing Republican nominee Leon Benjamin in the special election for the blue-leaning 4th District, which has its population center in the capital city and stretches south to the North Carolina border.

The seat was open after the death of Democratic Rep. Donald McEachin, who passed away following a long fight with the secondary effects of colorectal cancer in November, weeks after being elected to a fourth term. McClellan's election won't change the balance of power of the U.S. House, which Republicans narrowly control.

"Historical. Had to be a part of it," voter Rashida Mitchell said of the ballot she cast for McClel-



lan on Tuesday afternoon. "She's done great things for the city of Richmond, for the commonwealth as a whole."

Prior to Tuesday, only 22 states had ever elected a Black woman to Congress, according to a recent Pew Research Center analysis of historical records. McClellan said breaking that barrier in Virginia carries extra weight because of her family's history in the Jim Crow South.

Her father's grandfather had to take a literacy test and find three white people to vouch for him just to be able to register to

vote, said McClellan, a native of central Virginia. Her grandfather and father paid poll taxes and her mother, now 90, didn't vote until after the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

"It's a huge honor, and responsibility, to ensure that I'm not the last," she said in an interview last week.

An associate general counsel for Verizon, where she's worked for 20 years, McClellan has represented parts of the Richmond area in the General Assembly for nearly as long.

At the statehouse, McClellan

has cultivated a reputation as a deeply knowledgeable, widely respected consensus builder and legislator. A skilled debater with a polished, reserved style, she's sponsored many of Democrats' top legislative priorities in recent years, including bills that expanded voting access and abortion rights and legislation that set ambitious clean energy mandates.

Now the mother of two school-aged children, McClellan was the first delegate to serve while pregnant and give birth while in office after she joined the state House in 2006.

McClellan also followed in McEachin's footsteps when she moved up to the state Senate. She announced her candidacy for a seat he previously held after he was first elected to Congress in 2016, and she easily won a January 2017 special election.

In 2021, she was part of the crowded Democratic field seeking the party's nomination for governor, which she and three other candidates lost to Terry McAuliffe. That experience, McClellan said, helped her pivot quickly to this race and the high-speed December nominating contest that lasted just over a week.



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The Cost Of Living May Be Rising Faster For Rural Americans

THE CONVERSATION—When the Federal Reserve convened at the end of January 2023 to set interest rates, it was guided by one key bit of data: the U.S. inflation rate. The problem is, that stat ignores a sizable chunk of the country – rural America.

Currently sitting at 6.5% (at the end of January), the rate of inflation is still high, even though it has fallen back slightly from the end of 2022.

The overall inflation rate, along with core inflation – which strips out highly volatile food and energy costs – is seen as key to knowing whether the economy is heating up too fast, and guided the Fed as it imposed several large 0.75 percentage point interest rate increases in 2022. The hope is that raising the benchmark rate, which in turn increases the costs of taking out a bank loan or mortgage, for example, will help reduce inflation back to the Fed target of around 2%.

But the main indicator of inflation, the consumer price index, is compiled by looking at the changes in price specifically urban Americans pay for a set basket of goods. Those living in rural America are not surveyed.

As economists who study rural America, we believe this poses a problem: People living outside America's cities represent 14% of the U.S. population, or around 46 million people. They are likely to face different financial pressures and have different consumption habits than urbanites.

The fact that the Bureau of Labor Statistics surveys only urban populations for the consumer price index makes assessing rural inflation much more difficult – it may even be masking a rural-urban inflation gap.

To assess if such a gap exists, one needs to turn to other pricing data and qualitative analyses to build a picture of price growth in nonurban areas. We did this by focusing on four critical goods and services in which rural and urban price effects may be significantly different. What we found was rural areas may



indeed be suffering more from inflation than urban areas, creating an underappreciated gap.

1. THE COST OF RUNNING A CAR IN THE COUNTRY

Higher costs related to cars and gas can contribute to a rural-urban inflation gap, severely eating into any discretionary income for families outside urban areas, a 2022 report found.

This is likely related to there being considerable differences in vehicle purchases, ownership and lengths of commutes between urban and rural Americans.

Car ownership is integral to rural life, essential for getting from place to place, whereas urban residents can more easily choose cheaper options like public transit, walking or bicycling. This has several implications for expenses in rural areas.

Rural residents spend more on car purchases out of necessity. They are also more likely to own a used car. During the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic, there was a huge increase in used car prices as a result of a lack of new vehicles due to supply chain constraints. These price increases likely affected remote areas disproportionately.

Rural Americans tend to drive farther as part of their day-

to-day activities. Because of greater levels of isolation, rural workers are often required to make longer commutes and drive farther for child care, with the proportion of those traveling 50 miles (80 kilometers) or more for work having increased over the past few years. In upper Midwest states as of 2018, nearly 25% of workers in the most remote rural counties commute 50 miles (80 kilometers) or more, compared with just over 10% of workers in urban counties.

Longer journeys mean cars and trucks will wear out more quickly. As a result, rural residents have to devote more money to repairing and replacing cars and trucks – so any jump in automotive inflation will hit them harder.

Though fuel costs can be volatile, periods of high energy prices – such as the one the U.S. experienced through much of 2022 – are likely to disproportionately affect rural residents given the necessity and greater distances of driving. Anecdotal evidence also suggests gas prices can be higher in rural communities than in urban areas.

2. RISING COST OF EATING AT HOME – AND TRAVELING FOR GROCERIES

As eating away from home

becomes more expensive, many households may choose to eat in more often to cut costs. But rural residents already spend a larger amount on eating at home – likely due in part to the slimmer choices available for eating out.

This means they have less flexibility as food costs rise, particularly when it comes to essential grocery items for home preparation. And with the annual inflation of the price of groceries outpacing the cost eating out – 11.8% versus 8.3% – dining at home becomes comparably more expensive.

Rural Americans also do more driving to get groceries – the median rural household travels 3.11 miles (5 kilometers) to go to the nearest grocery store, compared with 0.69 miles (1.1 kilometers) for city dwellers. This creates higher costs to feed a rural family and again more vehicle depreciation.

Rural grocery stores are also dwindling in number, with dollar stores taking their place. As a result, fresh food in particular can be scarce and expensive, which leads to a more limited and unhealthy diet. And with food-at-home prices rising faster than prices at restaurants, the tendency of rural residents to eat more at home will see their costs

rising faster.

3. THE COST OF GROWING OLD AND ILL OUTSIDE CITIES

Demographically, rural counties trend older – part of the effect of younger residents migrating to cities and college towns for either work or educational reasons. And older people spend more on health insurance and medical services. Medical services overall have been rising in cost too, so those older populations will be spending more for vital doctors visits.

Again with health, any increase in gas prices will disproportionately hit rural communities more because of the extra travel needed to get even primary care. On average, rural Americans travel 5 more miles (8 kilometers) to get to the nearest hospital than those living in cities. And specialists may be hundreds of miles away.

4. CHEAPER HOME COSTS, BUT HEATING AND COOLING CAN BE EXPENSIVE

Rural Americans aren't always the losers when it comes to the inflation gap. One item in rural areas that favors them is housing.

Outside cities, housing costs

are generally lower, because of more limited demand. More rural Americans own their homes than city dwellers. Since owning a home is generally cheaper than renting during a time of rising housing costs, this helps insulate homeowners from inflation, especially as housing prices soared in 2021.

But even renters in rural America spend proportionately less. With housing making up around a third of the consumer price index, these cost advantages work in favor of rural residents.

However, poorer-quality housing leaves rural homeowners and renters vulnerable to rising heating and cooling costs, as well as additional maintenance costs.

INFLATION – A DISPROPORTIONATE BURDEN

While there is no conclusive official quantitative data that shows an urban-rural inflation gap, a review of rural life and consumption habits suggests that rural Americans suffer more as the cost of living goes up.

Indeed, rural inflation may be more pernicious than urban inflation, with price increases likely lingering longer than in cities.

FUNdraising Good Times

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WE CAN'T REMAIN ISOLATED

Fundraising and nonprofit life are full of intrigue, twisted paths, pure luck, genius, generosity, and more. This is the fifth in an occasional series of fictional fundraising stories.

Transforming the future of Monroe-Smith College meant Ruby would have to step into her own power in a new way. She couldn't ask the college to do what she was cautious to embrace. Known to her peers as fearless, Ruby rarely made an uncalculated move: her fearlessness came from preparation, and the proactive answering of the perennial question "what if?"

That morning while riding up the elevator with her boss, Ruby asked him to join her for lunch with President Taylor of Monroe-Smith. "I'd like you to meet him in his new role. I believe you worked with him during his time in Congress, but this is something different." Mr. Johnston responded with a smile. "I'd love to. We weren't always on the same page, but I depended on him - we all did. Get it set up and I will be there."

Ruby called President Taylor right away. "Jimmy, we got Mr. Johnston for lunch - what day are you free?" President Taylor laughed, "Ruby, I'm never free..." Ruby interrupted him with a laugh of her own, "You can make time for the CEO of Edison Electric. Now which day is better?"

President Taylor was taken a back. "Ruby, I'm happy to host him, but shouldn't we wait until we are more organized?" This was Ruby's cue. She quickly replied, "Jimmy, you should know better than anyone that you don't wait until you need something to rekindle a relationship. I just want you two in the same room. There's no ask. Just lunch and a quick tour of the campus. I doubt he's ever been anywhere on campus but the student center."

"Okay, I'll leave this to you and my team..." the president replied, thinking he was done with the call. "Oh, that won't work. We need to work on the message, identify which students can join the tour, which faculty offices we will 'stop by.' You have to be fully involved in this. You can't 'pop in' unprepared. You are the president, you have a vision, and you need to welcome this city's stakeholders onto the campus. We cannot afford to remain isolated." Ruby drew a deep breath and continued. "Jimmy, I put myself out there to get this meeting; you have to do your part. Monroe-Smith is where it is because too many of us have been too focused on doing 'more important things.' We've been so busy being busy and important that we've forgotten what's important: relationships, community, shared vision, and forward motion. Jimmy," she asked, "are you in, or do I need to step back and let you do this your way?"

President Taylor was surprised. He didn't expect such a call first thing in the morning. "Ruby, I need you..." Again, Ruby interrupted him, "Does that mean you're in?" President Taylor sighed, "Yes Ruby, I'm in." With that Ruby chirped a warm good bye and hung up the phone. She had a lot of lists to make, people to call, and not a moment to spare.

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Black Baltimoreans Fighting Redevelopment

BALTIMORE (AP) — In 2018, Angela Banks received bad news from her landlord: Baltimore officials were buying her family's home of four decades, planning to demolish the three-story brick row house to make room for a beleaguered urban renewal project aimed at transforming a historically Black neighborhood. Banks and her children became homeless almost overnight. With nowhere else to go, they spent months sleeping in her aging Ford Explorer.

Roughly five years later, the house remains standing, and plans to redevelop west Baltimore's Poppleton neighborhood have largely stalled, even after the city displaced Banks and many of her neighbors.

Banks filed a complaint Monday asking federal officials to investigate whether Baltimore's redevelopment policies are perpetuating racial segregation and violating fair housing laws by disproportionately displacing Black and low-income residents. Her experience presents the latest example of Black Baltimoreans losing their homes to redevelopment after watching their neighborhoods suffer from growing disinvestment — while whiter, more affluent communities flourish, Banks and her attorneys argue.

"I lost everything," Banks told The Associated Press. "It's like we had no voice. We could make noise, but nobody would hear us."

Ordered to vacate quickly, her family ended up leaving behind many of their belongings. During a recent visit to the neighborhood, Banks stepped cautiously through an unsecured back door and peered inside the house, wondering aloud whether squatters had moved in. Her eyes settled first on the marbled vinyl floor tiles she installed herself many years ago. She also encountered extensive water damage and rotting drywall, unfamiliar furniture, clothes and other personal items. Startled by her presence, two black cats scurried down the second-floor hallway and disappeared into a hiding spot.

"This was home," she said, shaking her head.

Her landlord sold the house to the city voluntarily in 2018, but other Poppleton homeowners have been subjected to eminent domain, when the government seizes private property for public use.

Once relatively common in American cities, using the prac-



tice for revitalization and infrastructure projects has largely fallen out of favor. Some cities are currently working to provide reparations to Black residents, acknowledging the harm caused by urban renewal efforts and other discriminatory practices.

Banks reminisced about her children swimming in Poppleton's public pool while she socialized with neighbors on their stoops. Since then, over 100 occupied homes have been seized, according to the complaint. The pool and nearby recreation center closed years ago, Banks said. Poppleton is about 93% Black, according to 2020 census data.

"Baltimore has long been a tale of two cities," said Marceline White, executive director of Economic Action Maryland, which joined Banks in filing the complaint and organized a news conference Monday in Poppleton.

In 1910, Baltimore leaders enacted the country's first residential segregation ordinance that restricted African American homeowners to certain blocks.

In addition to redlining, Poppleton residents experienced "slum clearance" starting in the 1930s with construction of Poe Homes, a public housing complex named after a nearby onetime residence of the famous poet Edgar Allan Poe. The number of displaced Black families was larger than the number of housing units created, according to the complaint.

Then came Baltimore's so-called "Highway To Nowhere," which was designed to connect the downtown business district to interstates surrounding the city.

Officials used eminent domain to demolish nearly 1,000 homes in the 1960s and '70s, cutting a swath through majority-Black west Baltimore and severing ties between Poppleton and other nearby communities.

Construction of the thoroughfare was never finished — partly because residents in more affluent neighborhoods successfully campaigned against it — and the endeavor became largely pointless.

"What's happening now in Poppleton is a reflection of what has happened before, part of an unbroken chain of policies and practices," said Lawrence Brown, a research scientist at Morgan State University. "There is a pattern."

Plans for Poppleton's urban renewal surfaced in the 1970s. By that time, Brown said, the neighborhood had already been experiencing mistreatment and disinvestment for decades.

In 2006, city officials signed an agreement with a New York-based company, La Cite Development. Construction has been completed on two mixed-use buildings with 262 rental units, but many other aspects of the \$800 million project haven't materialized. Initial plans identified over 500 properties the company would redevelop near a University of Maryland biomedical research park, just outside the downtown business district.

Company officials didn't respond to a recent request for comment.

Baltimore leaders have said they're committed to revitalizing

an increasingly blighted community suffering from population loss, but Poppleton residents accuse them of catering to big developers at the expense of homeowners and renters.

In 2015, the city agreed to partially subsidize the Poppleton redevelopment project. That was after officials tried to terminate their agreement with the developer, citing a lack of progress, but the company sued and won.

Mayor Brandon Scott, who took office in 2020, pledged his commitment to "advancing fairness and equity in housing for all residents." In a statement Thursday, he said his administration "has taken significant steps to address the housing inequities of the past through substantial investments in formerly redlined communities."

The movement to save Poppleton's existing homes galvanized around longtime resident Sonia Eaddy, who recently won a decadeslong fight when Scott announced her row house would be removed from the redevelopment plan after negotiations with the developer. A nearby block of rainbow-colored historic row houses will be rehabbed by a local nonprofit that helps Black women achieve homeownership, officials also announced.

Eaddy said she celebrated the victory, but she's not done fighting for reform.

"Eminent domain is an act of violence. It's being used to perpetuate gentrification," she said during Monday's news conference.

Black People Need Customers Year-Round, Not Just February

British Columbia (CBC) - Tilda Ruvinga is in the process of closing her fashion design company, TK by Tilda, due to a sharp decline in sales.

The Vancouver-based designer opened her company in 2017 and saw a surge in business after May 2020, when African-American George Floyd was brutally murdered by police officers in Minneapolis. His death spurred the Black Lives Matter movement on and generally raised support for the Black community.

"I had mixed emotions when it was happening," Ruvinga said speaking from her home studio. "Are people only doing this because they feel bad, or is it because they actually want to support me as a person?"

Anecdotally, it's similar to the heightened awareness some people in the Black community experience during Black History Month. But Ruvinga and other Black business owners say they need year-round support.

Ruvinga said she saw a boost in sales during 2020 and 2021, but it didn't last. She hasn't sold anything for months, a stark contrast to when she was making enough money to pay off all her student loans in 2021.



Vancouver-based fashion designer Tilda Ruvinga is upset that her company's sales have fallen so much she has to close her business. (Yasmin Gandham/CBC)

Now she's winding things down as she prepares to close the business altogether.

Ogechukwu Ajibe, a fashion designer who uses her colourful and printed clothing to pay homage to her Nigerian heri-

tage, owns the Vancouver-based clothing company Ogeajibe. She said it's not enough for people to show their support during Black History Month. She'd like people to actively seek out Black businesses all the time.

It's important to have people "intentionally going out to support Black businesses ... because we can get lost in the midst of everything," Ajibe said. "It is really important now, tomorrow, and for other days to

come."

Like Ruvinga, she remembers the Black Lives Matter movement and having "mixed emotions" as brands posted statements of solidarity with the Black community that she felt were performative.

Nerissa Allen, founder of the Black Business Association of B.C., said the current economy makes the problem even worse by further marginalizing Black businesses.

A survey by Statistics Canada in 2022 found that 35 per cent of Black-owned businesses were in a worse position than they were in 2021, compared with 27 per cent of businesses as a whole.

Conversely, only 15 per cent of Black-owned businesses indicated they were in a better position compared with 27 per cent of all businesses as a whole.

Allen started her non-profit association in late 2019, offering workshops and mentoring to Black business owners.

She said the current situation is due in part to a combination of a post-Christmas lull and people trying to save money.

"Inflation is causing hardship on Canadians and everyone is

trying to save a dollar where they can, which is being reflected in what we are seeing in terms of sales for Black-owned businesses."

"Black people exist every month in the year."

Zion Greene-bull, a Vancouver-based tattoo artist who runs a private studio, is using Black History Month to give back to the Black community. She's been raising money to tattoo Black folks for free in February.

She said there is a lot of racism among the Black community getting inked, with some artists saying they are unfamiliar with how to tattoo Black skin tones.

"Historically, it's been harder for Black people to access tattoos and with Black History Month it comes with a lot of grief and family trauma, and I just wanted to do something nice for the community."

Greene-bull also said it's important to recognize the community and support businesses year-round, not just during Black History Month.

"That's why we say Black history 365, because Black people exist every month in a year, not just in February."

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Health & Wellness

Your Diet Can Influence Mood, Behavior And So Much More

By Prof. Monica Dus

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During the long seafaring voyages of the 15th and 16th centuries, a period known as the Age of Discovery, sailors reported experiencing visions of sublime foods and verdant fields. The discovery that these were nothing more than hallucinations after months at sea was agonizing. Some sailors wept in longing; others threw themselves overboard.

The cure for these harrowing mirages turned out to be not a concoction of complex chemicals, as once suspected, but rather the simple antidote of lemon juice. These sailors suffered from scurvy, a disease caused by a deficiency of vitamin C, an essential micronutrient that people acquire from eating fruits and vegetables.

Vitamin C is important for the production and release of neurotransmitters, the chemical messengers of the brain. In its absence, brain cells do not communicate effectively with one another, which can lead to hallucinations.

As this famous example of early explorers illustrates, there is an intimate connection between food and the brain, one that researchers like me are working to unravel. As a scientist who studies the neuroscience of nutrition at the University of Michigan, I am primarily interested in how components of food and their breakdown products can alter the

genetic instructions that control our physiology.

Beyond that, my research is also focused on understanding how food can influence our thoughts, moods and behaviors. While we can't yet prevent or treat brain conditions with diet, researchers like me are learning a great deal about the role that nutrition plays in the everyday brain processes that make us who we are.

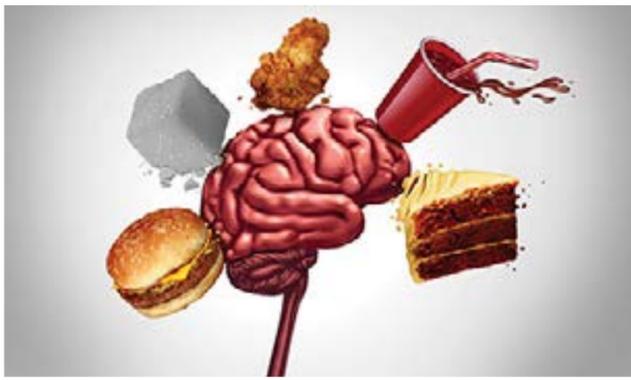
Perhaps not surprisingly, a delicate balance of nutrients is key for brain health: Deficiencies or excesses in vitamins, sugars, fats and amino acids can influence brain and behavior in either negative or positive ways.

VITAMINS AND MINERAL DEFICIENCIES

As with vitamin C, deficits in other vitamins and minerals can also precipitate nutritional diseases that adversely impact the brain in humans. For example, low dietary levels of vitamin B3/niacin – typically found in meat and fish – cause pellagra, a disease in which people develop dementia.

Niacin is essential to turn food into energy and building blocks, protect the genetic blueprint from environmental damage and control how much of certain gene products are made. In the absence of these critical processes, brain cells, also known as neurons, malfunction and die prematurely, leading to dementia.

In animal models, decreas-



ing or blocking the production of niacin in the brain promotes neuronal damage and cell death. Conversely, enhancing niacin levels has been shown to mitigate the effects of neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's, Huntington's and Parkinson's. Observational studies in humans suggest that sufficient levels of niacin may protect against these diseases, but the results are still

inconclusive.

Interestingly, niacin deficiency caused by consumption of excessive amounts of alcohol can lead to similar effects as those found with pellagra.

Another example of how a nutrient deficiency affects brain function can be found in the element iodine, which, like niacin, must be acquired from one's diet. Iodine, which is present in sea-

food and seaweed, is an essential building block for thyroid hormones – signaling molecules that are important for many aspects of human biology, including development, metabolism, appetite and sleep. Low iodine levels prevent the production of adequate amounts of thyroid hormones, impairing these essential physiological processes.

Iodine is particularly important to the developing human brain; before table salt was supplemented with this mineral in the 1920s, iodine deficiency was a major cause of cognitive disability worldwide. The introduction of iodized salt is thought to have contributed to the gradual rise in IQ scores in the past century.

SUGAR, SATURATED FATS AND ULTRAPROCESSED FOODS

Excess levels of some nutrients can also have detrimental effects on the brain. In humans and animal models, elevated consumption of refined sugars and saturated fats – a combination commonly found in ultraprocessed foods – promotes eating by desensitizing

the brain to the hormonal signals known to regulate satiety.

Interestingly, a diet high in these foods also desensitizes the taste system, making animals and humans perceive food as less sweet. These sensory alterations may affect food choice as well as the reward we get from food. For example, research shows that people's responses to ice cream in brain areas important for taste and reward are dulled when they eat it every day for two weeks. Some researchers think this decrease in food reward signals may enhance cravings for even more fatty and sugary foods, similar to the way smokers crave cigarettes.

High-fat and processed-food diets are also associated with lower cognitive function and memory in humans and animal models as well as a higher incidence of neurodegenerative diseases. However, researchers still don't know if these effects are due to these foods or to the weight gain and insulin resistance that develop with long-term consumption of these diets.



NC State Wellness Day

North Carolina State University, here in Raleigh, canceled class last Thursday as part of the university's initiative "Wellness Day" to help improve students' mental health. No assignments or exams were being given, and instead students were able to take a break and focus on their physical and mental health. The university also offered free activities for students including yoga classes, coloring, crafts, a guided walk, climbing, teatime, and video games to participate in. Assuredly, the focus on mental health comes as eight student deaths were reported since the start of the school year, whereas five were reported as suicide.

"It's absolutely the most important to destigmatize mental health. A lot of students, like you mentioned, they're away from home for the first time. Maybe they come from a culture, a community that doesn't necessarily accept mental health as a real struggle. But, you know, the brain is an organ just like any other organ. It can get sick just like any other organ," said sophomore Eleanor Lott, who serves on the Student Mental Health Task Force.

NC State junior engineering major, Precious Taylor shared with The Carolinian her thoughts on the wellness day. "I'm happy to see the state and colleges and universities invest more in mental health. People go through so much here at NC State and oftentimes, no one wants to talk about it, which then leads to people giving up. So, the wellness days are great, but this event should be a reoccurring event throughout the semester instead of when things hit the fan. Plus, more needs to be done outside of campus as well."

Sophomore, Lilly Wallace shared why she began a petition pleading for a wellness day at NC State every month. "What I propose is that the university institute monthly wellness days on one Friday each month. No professors are allowed to hold class, assign homework, or have tests/quizzes due that day, over the weekend, or the Monday after (classes would still happen the Monday after). This will give students an actual opportunity to rest, recuperate, and check in with themselves. I believe that this will also allow for more students to have time to access the mental health resources on campus while having said downtime."

Wallace also emphasized implementing a separate, student-declared wellness day that counts as a university-excused absence. She is also calling for the university to expand the counseling center's resources. So far, within 24 hours, the petition has exceeded the goal of 2,500 signatures.

NC State reported around 7% of its students said they seriously considered suicide in the past year and around half felt hopeless or had overwhelming anxiety. Undoubtedly, given the growing concern about mental health on campus, North Carolina universities are increasing their resources. UNC-Chapel Hill has initiated wellness days into its semester over the past few months. The entire UNC System has begun to expand access to licensed mental health counselors and increasing funding for off-campus care. Earlier this week, N.C. Governor Roy Cooper announced nearly \$8 million would be allocated to universities to increase suicide prevention training and mental health services.

In a message to engineering students earlier this week, Dean Louis Martin-Vega said he and his leadership team are very concerned about the well-being and mental health of our students, faculty, and staff. For this reason the College of Engineering has begun increasing support for its students. There are now two counselors embedded on Centennial Campus, where the engineering school is housed, and officials plan to deploy volunteers to check in on students throughout the semester. They've scheduled Mental Health First Aid training for faculty and staff.

"I'm happy to see our university and others invest more in mental health. So much goes unnoticed with college students because we want to make our family proud and have it all together, but the bottom line is, we all need help. Everyone needs help. It is okay to not be okay," said Freshman Morgan Morrison, "I definitely think there's a benefit. It puts mental health at the top of the mind. It gives students an opportunity to open up."

In addition to wellness days, the university has launched a student mental health task force to create long-term solutions to addressing mental health and providing students with access to 12 free telehealth sessions through AcademicLiveCare. If you or someone you know could use mental health resources, please call 988 or the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 800-273-8255.



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When It's Time To Cultivate: Indigenous Origins Of Farming II

By Jason Lindsay

Staff Writer

The Americas served the ancient world in ways that are shadowed, ignored, and in many cases, intentionally erased from our history. Agriculture, or the cultivation of domesticated crops, is said to begin roughly 6,000 - 10,000 years ago in Asia and Africa. Yet, the so-called "New World" shows plant domestication and even a divine rendition of genetic modification dating back 80,000 years.

Ancient America held the jewels of the world's food crop varieties. Today, 80 percent of the world's most popular food crops are indigenous to the Americas. Crops like: Lima beans, chickpeas, cashews, pineapples, strawberries, avocados, white, red, and sweet potato, manioc or cassava, tomatoes, chayotes, cranberries, blackberries, blueberries, Surinam cherries, Jerusalem Artichokes, papayas, many grapes, vanilla, palm cabbage, pecan, hickory nuts, Brazil nuts, butternuts, amongst many other squashes, beans, and pumpkins are all native to North or South America.

The 1952 publication "America's Ancient Civilizations" spoke of the Spanish conquistador Hernan Cortes, who traveled to Mexico in the early 1500s. They explained that when "Cortes and his followers reached Mexico they found many varieties of edible plants and fruit that were unknown to Europe. It was the same in Peru and from both countries, as well as the West Indies. The invaders carried seeds, tubers, roots, and plants back to Spain, therefore benefiting the "Old World" inestimably."

Among these varieties were crab apples, tanka, custard apples, arrowroot, various melons, and, further to the south, peanuts. Our ancient ancestors were also masters of the medicine wheel with medicinals that were either cultivated in the fields or intentionally incorporated throughout the landscaping of dense polycultures (the simultaneous cultivation of many crops in the same area). Amongst the known is tansy, salicylic acid, liverwort, rhubarb, ar-



nica, ginseng, mandrake, boneset, viburnum, yarrow, cocaine, and tobacco.

In 1986, Reader's Digest published: "Mysteries of the Ancient Americas: the New World Before Columbus." In the chapter entitled the "Birth of Farming," they wrote: "hunting societies never achieved a complex material culture of their own.... Agricultural societies, by contrast, sedentary, their engagement with land intense.... Having learned to cultivate some plants, so that they yield more consistently, and having domesticated certain animals so that they are reliable, providers of either food or labor, farmers are to a significant degree masters of their world. Such relative security inclines these men of the soil to... become the foundation stones of civilization."

It is no secret that traveling tribes would become large towns that developed into cities with the mastering of cultivation (farming). Yet, the Americas gifted the world a crop that is still unexplainable by the standards of modern science and technology. Mother Corn.

Although beans, squash, and

pumpkins were widely farmed in the pre-Columbus Americas (Mexico), corn was cultivated more than all the native crops combined. Some researchers argue that "frijoles" (beans) were the cash crop, but maize is the only plant featured on the crown of royalty and Gods. And as one writer puts it: "what's frijole without tortillas (flatbread from Mexico and Central America made from corn flour)."

Maize is found in the Americas in over 250 varieties. The ancestors had just about every corn we have today, including sweet corn, popping corn, feed corn, flint corn, yellow corn, red corn, and the world-famous black corn. The "Black Mexican Corn" is the most original strain of corn on the planet. Some botanists even speculated if it was modified at all. Though the corn is believed to have originated in Peru, Black Mexican Corn is still cultivated in southern Mexico today.

Ancient America even had corn that is not known to modern society, one being "Moti" corn with kernels the size of chestnuts. Native would roast and eat them

like nuts, and a dwarf variety was found in the Andes that was bred to be more frost resilient.

Two hundred feet below the surface of Mexico City, archeologists

found corn which, through carbon testing, dated back 80,000 years. Remember, agricultural societies are said to have evolved until at least 6,000 years ago. Yet, the variety of corn that was found is almost identical to modern-day "popcorn," which is far from the alleged origin plant "Teosinte," proving ancient American civilization was farming long before much of the "old world" was born.

Archeologists believe teosinte, an extinct mountain grass that grew in the lowlands of Central America, including Mexico, to be the mother plant of what the ancestors called "Maize" (Corn). Botanists disagree, arguing maize's origins further south (Peru), exclaiming corn to be a hybrid crossed with an unknown species. Nevertheless, maize found roots in North, Central, and South America and, from there, became a global staple for expanding the civilization of antiquity.

It is essential to understand that corn is not found growing wild anywhere on the planet. It is indeed a grain much like barley and wheat, yet maize cannot self-propagate. Maize is a crop that needs the assistance of people to

survive. If our societies were to decide to stop tending corn, the plant would disappear, yet humanity has preserved her for thousands of years.

With most grain, the ears are located at the top of the plant, and once matured, the grain shatters, dropping the seed to the ground, ensuring the next generation. Maize, on the other hand, ears are fully cased and located on the lower part of the plant, not to mention abnormally big. These large, fully encased grains do not shatter and fall to the ground, yet need the aid of people to collect, preserve, and replant.

Modern Scientists wanted to achieve the same non-shattering effect on modern-day barley and wheat and did so by blocking one gene within the plant's DNA. Yet, many have studied the maize plant and found it to be highly complex. They discovered that maize had sixteen genes that controlled and prevented the grain from shattering. How this was done is unknown to the scientific world. Maize has been referenced as the first and most significant feature of genetic engineering in human history. To be continued...

Sustaining Both The Family Farm And The Environment

Brown Family Farms, a multi-generational farm, is located in Henderson, NC. Fourth generation farmer, Patrick Brown, runs the diverse operation which includes row crops, livestock (pigs and heritage turkeys), produce and industrial hemp.

Farming since 1997, Patrick learned everything he knows from his father, Reverend Brown. Today's farm looks different from the past, with tobacco being the main source of operation until 1998. That year, tobacco stopped being planted, but the farm stayed involved with production until 2017 through the leasing of acres.

In an effort to diversify his operation, Patrick discovered hemp. Brown Family Farms became licensed in hemp production in 2016 under the North Carolina pilot program through the North Carolina Hemp Commission. Brown and his family started with 18 acres of hemp production for CBD and increased their acreage in 2019 to 175 acres of hemp fiber and hurd. In 2022 the farm became federally licensed to grow under the USDA. Today the farm has over 350 acres of hemp production for multiple contracts. Brown hopes to expand in the future by processing their own internal hemp product.

One of the companies Brown has a contract with is Patagonia. In 2021, Patagonia began focusing on regenerative agriculture practices and what the company could do to combat climate change. Patrick was introduced to Patagonia in 2021



when the company saw how much production he had over the years. Today, Patagonia has a line of clothing that is made using hemp (75% hemp, 25% cotton). In addition to combating climate change, the company wanted to help tell the story of minority farmers. For Brown and his family, that meant focusing on the renovation project for their family plantation that they originated from. Patagonia has been able to help him tell their story and acquire funding.

When asked "why hemp?" Brown states his focus is on regenerative agriculture and land conservation. Hemp uses less fertilizer than other crops and replenishes vital nutrients in the soil, helping combat climate change.

Patrick Brown is one of three minority farmers in the state to grow hemp. He uses his co-op to help other farmers in the

community. This group works together to add diversification to farms, focusing on conservation and regenerative agriculture. One of Brown's beliefs is giving back to the community. Outside of his full-time job, he uses speaking events as a way to inspire the next generation of farmers. These speaking events, coupled with the farm's social media presence and agritourism visits have been a way to promote the farm.

Brown Family Farms is involved in cost share programs through NRCS, including land conservation for waterways and easements, in addition to green and high tunnel production. They also utilized the local Soil and Water Conservation office to be a part of a cover crop program. In addition, they are part of a USDA crop program and commodity structure program for specialized crop production.

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On January 16, 2023, Lifetime Community Leader and lifelong stalwart Educator, Mrs. Virginia Stanley Tally (who is affectionately called 'Peggy' by most of her family members/friends) stepped into her 80th Birthday amid a resounding greeting from family, neighbors, community members, faith-based leaders, members of Divine Nine, business leaders, elected officials, Shaw University President Dr. Paulette Dillard (Virginia's alma mater) and tons of friends from down through the years! Ya'll-we celebrated awesome community events during the month of January (both celebratory and educational) under the theme: 'Stepping into my 80th Birthday with God's Grace and Mercy' and theme colors blue and gold (which were selected to represent her Ligon High School colors). The week of events were co-hosted by her husband, Charlie V. Tally and her daughter Kristi D.Tally along with her sisters: Cardrienne 'Cordy' Stanley Gill and Karen Stanley Sanders and her nephew Jeremy Sanders and his wife, Judy Baity-Sanders. The Baity-Sanders kids in the family (Jeremiah, Jerren, Journee, Jordan, Anita, Ciaro, Aaliyah and Ashanti) were main attractions too! They loved working and helping to celebrate their 'Aunt Peggy'!

We kicked off the week on Sunday, January 15th with a 'high-stepping/high-steering' car parade flowing through the Southgate Community of Southeast Raleigh where people of the community drove through to share celebrations of love and amazing gifts to honor Virginia..Wow!! Our family member, Pearlie Gill, was the resident event photographer! It was truly a blessing and such a show of love to see the people who turned out for the Celebration! On Virginia's actual birthday (which was Monday, January 16th), we convened an intimate gathering of family to continue sharing the love and blessings of God for ushering Virginia into 80 beautiful years! The dinner and scrumptious meal was held at The Angus Barn. On behalf of Virginia and our entire family, we want to express our dearest and sincerest thanks for the outpouring of community support. Please know that the youngsters are working on finalizing the videos and compilation of photos which we'll look forward to sharing soon. Again, from the bottom of our hearts to yours, we thank you!



Omega Psi Phi's Annual Talent Hunt Awards A Young Pianist

The Iota Iota Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. held their 78th Annual Talent Hunt Program on Saturday, February 18th, on the Wake Tech Community College-Scott Northern Wake Campus. The Talent Hunt Program provides exposure to talented young people who participate in the performing arts, while offering encouragement and financial assistance. The Talent Hunt Program was the creation of Bro. J. Alston Atkins and Bro. Dewey Duckett. The fraternity first program was held on April 19, 1946 in Charlotte, NC. Then later in 1953 it became an international program for the fraternity.

This year there were six competitors in the Talent Hunt Program ranging from 8th grade to 12th grade. The six competitors competed in the competitive category, which awarded a first place \$500 scholarship award. The participants were from the surrounding Wake, Johnson, and Lee counties.

The participants of this year program possessed some immense talent. Performances from participants ranged from vocal, violin, piano, saxophone and cello.

The 1st place winner for the Iota Iota Chapter was Ms. Emilie Powell, who is a senior at Enloe High School. Ms. Powell performed Movement 1 Poux Le Piano by Claude Debussy. Ms. Powell will now go on to compete against other Talent Hunt Program winners from chapters across North and South Carolina during the Sixth District Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Third Council Meeting in Rock Hill, SC on March 18th.

Article submitted by Quando Gerst, Talent Hunt Chairman for the Iota Iota Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Raleigh, NC



The Raleigh (NC) Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi recently named our Alfred C. Perry Kappa Man of the Year and Senior Kappa Man of the Year. Both awards are named after the 14th Province Polemarch of the Middle Eastern Province Alfred C. Perry a long time member of our chapter. Retired Wake County School's principal and local businessman Alfred C. Perry is the quintessential representation of a Kappa man. Brother Samuel L. Greene was named Alfred C. Perry Senior Kappa Man of the Year and Brother Donzell Newkirk was named Alfred C. Perry Kappa Man of the Year.

Brother Samuel L. Greene is a 1968 initiate of the Fayetteville Fort Bragg (NC) Alumni Chapter. A native of Forest City, NC, Brother Greene graduated from Fayetteville State University. Brother Green is a Retired Wake County School District Principal and currently works as a travel agent. Brother Green was introduced to Kappa by his best friend in college Melvin Pierce who would later serve as the 20th Province Polemarch of the Middle Eastern Province. Since being initiated Brother Greene has served as Polemarch of the Fayetteville Alumni Chapter (1971), Senior Vice-Polemarch of the Middle Eastern Province and has served as the Chairman of the Beautillion Military Program and Chairman of the Kappa Scholars Program for over 35 years. One of his favorite memories in Kappa was traveling to Charlotte in 1969 to the Grand Conclave and meeting three of our Founders. One of his goals is to be the best Kappa he can be on this side of the Golden Shore. If he had to name the best thing about Kappa it would be the Brotherhood (One



Raleigh Alumni Polemarch Brother Victor Hyman presents the Man of the Year award to Brother Donzell Leon Newkirk



Raleigh Alumni Polemarch Brother Victor Hyman presents the Senior Man of the Year award to Brother Samuel L. Greene

Kappa). Our Alfred C. Perry Kappa Man of the Year was Brother Donzell L. Newkirk

Brother Donzell Leon Newkirk is a Fall 2011 initiate of the Raleigh (NC) Alumni Chapter. A Raleigh, NC native, Brother Newkirk graduated from The North Carolina A&T State University. Brother Newkirk is Partner Director of Professional Services at Salesforce. Brother Newkirk was introduced to Kappa by the coaches and staff who were members of the fraternity and mentored him as he grew up as an adolescent. Some of his favorite memories in Kappa are from sitting down with our Senior Brothers and hearing their stories. Additionally, he

enjoyed serving with different chapter committee members to put on events. When asked how he would like to be remembered brother Newkirk stated that he wants to be remembered as a brother's brother who was a servant leader. Brother Newkirk has served in the following positions: Chapter Webmaster & Social Media Chair, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, Guide Right Director, Board Member, Keeper of Records, and Polemarch. Outside of the chapter Brother has served as MEP Chairman for both the Guide Right Committee and Technology Committee; as well as, Chief of Staff to the 23rd MEP Province Polemarch, Brother Michael Brown. Brother Newkirk also serves

the Grand Chapter on the Strategic Plan Implementation Team Project Manager. When asked who are some of the Kappas that have influenced and guided him the most: Brother Dr. Kemah Washington, Brother Michael Brown, Brother William Hooker, Brother Charles Whitlock, Brother Imanu Lewis, Brother Sam Rouse and more. Brother Newkirk desires to one day represent RAC on the Grand Board of Directors for Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. When asked what is the best thing about being a Kappa is Zell said the BROTHERHOOD! Through the highs and the lows, the brothers will always be there in your time of need.



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Sports

KINGFISH: The Story Of Kenny Washington's Triumph

By Tyria McCray

Staff Writer

In celebration of Black History Month, Marketing Coordinator of the Hayti Heritage Center in Durham, and co-founder and chief executive officer of the Black Originals, Sam Hoggs, partnered with the Los Angeles Rams on the debut of the short film, 'Kingfish: The Story of Kenny Washington.' On Feb. 16, in Inglewood's historic downtown Miracle Theater, the inspiring docu-style short film told the story of Kenny Washington, the first Black player signed by a National Football League (NFL) team in the modern era and helped end a 12-year ban on Black players in the league.

The film itself is a dynamic narrative of scripted scenes shot at Inglewood's Hilltop Coffee + Kitchen and SoFi Stadium. Several interviews are also featured in the film. These interviews

involved many welcome appearances such as the Rams defensive coordinator Raheem Morris, and Rams Legend Pro Football Hall of Fame wide receiver Isaac Bruce, Pro Football Hall of Fame running back Marshall Faulk, and Rams all-time leading rusher and three-time Pro Bowl running back Steven Jackson. Kenny Washington's daughter, Karin Washington-Cohen, grandson, Kraig Washington, and granddaughter, Kysa Washington, also appeared to help tell his story.

"My family and I are so pleased that my father's story is being told," said Karin Washington-Cohen. "It is a part of history, not just sports history. We are thrilled that the world will get to know how great of an athlete he was, and how he achieved despite the disadvantages facing Black people in those times."

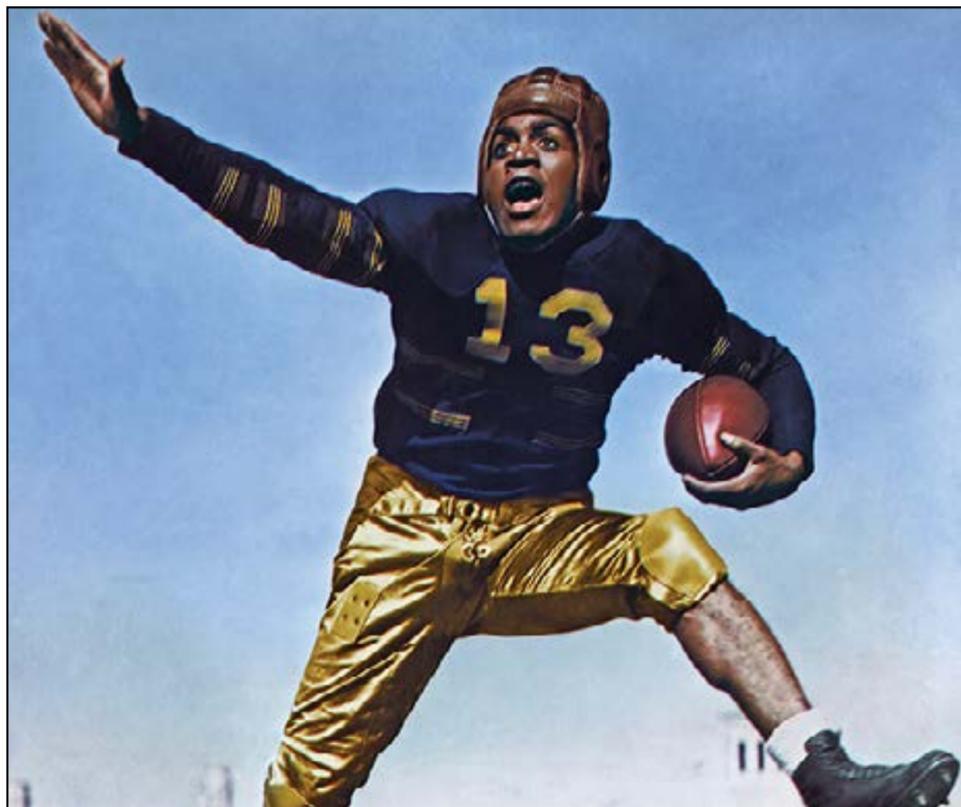
The film gives an account of Washington's football journey

from his beginnings at Abraham Lincoln High School, where he got two championships in baseball and football, all the way to his contributions in breaking the color line. However, the film not only chronicles a career that broke racial barriers, but it also focuses on the impact Washington made by sticking to his truth in the face of adversity; a legacy that paved the way for the next generation.

On March 21, 1946, the LA Rams broke the color barrier in the NFL by signing LA native, Kenny Washington. During his time with the Rams, he played for three seasons and still holds the team record for the longest run from a scrimmage with a 92-yard rushing touchdown. Once his football career ended, he appeared in several films, including The Jackie Robinson Story. He even served as a Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) officer for several years before passing away in 1971.

"The story of Kenny Washington and his timeless impact on our game and all of professional sports has often been overlooked," said Kevin Demoff, the Chief Operating Officer of the Los Angeles Rams, "Kenny's inspirational determination and commitment to leading through adversity set the standard for the Los Angeles Rams. Following the 75th anniversary of him reintegrating the NFL, we wanted to shine a light on this legend and his legacy with this film. Kenny's pioneering role in NFL history should be celebrated and never forgotten."

Sam Hoggs, Co-Founder and CEO of The BLK Originals, shared with us his sentiments on Washington's historical legacy. "The true significance of this project is sharing the inspirational story of Mr. Washington on a large scale for future generations. We are beyond honored to



be in a position to tell African American stories with authenticity. To be trusted by the Rams, an organization that not only gave Mr. Washington an opportunity but our company one as well speaks to their core values. We hope this project honors our ancestors whose stories have been overlooked and under-told. We want the film to encourage all to dig deep into history and shine a light on other African American men and women who have paved the way."

In lieu of creating this initiative to honor Washington's legacy, last January, the Rams launched their "playmakers" program, recognizing 13 Angelenos for their efforts in fighting injustice in their communities. As a result of that initiative, this past Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2023, the Rams surprised this year's first "playmaker," Kysa Washington, the granddaughter of Kenny Washington with a \$5,000 donation from the Los Angeles Rams Foundation. Honoring his legacy

did not end there; the Rams created the Kenny Washington Memorial Scholarship, which provides up to four years of financial support to thirteen students from low-resourced communities. The Rams will show a screening of the film in this month's EVERFI Mental Wellness sessions for over 10,000 students (grades 6-9) throughout all 32 NFL markets.

To watch the film, visit the Rams' digital channels including therams.com/kingfish, Facebook, and YouTube.



FIGHTING FOR THE WIN—Shaw's Inari Jones (4) looks to shoot against Virginia Union's Brittini Martin (14) and Ny Langley (11) during the first half of their game in Raleigh on February 15th. Shaw came away with the 69-58 victory on Senior Night.



THE BEARS FELL SHORT—Shaw's Caleb Simmons (10) hits the deck and protects the ball against Virginia Union's Brian Ayafor (3) during the first half of their game in Raleigh on February 15, 2023. Virginia Union pulled away in the second half to win 60-53. Steve Worthy Photos

Haiti Qualifies For World Cup For 1st Time

AUCKLAND, New Zealand (AP) — Haiti and Portugal qualified for the FIFA Women's World Cup finals for the first time after winning playoff matches Wednesday in New Zealand.

Carole Costa scored a 94th-minute clincher in Portugal's 2-1 win over the Cameroon "Lionesses" who have reached the round of 16 at the last two World Cups.

Haiti beat Chile 2-1 earlier Wednesday in an historic match it hopes will bring joy and "a breath of fresh air" to a strife-torn homeland.

Melchie Dumornay scored twice to ensure 55th-ranked Haiti will return to the southern hemisphere in July to play in Group D of the Women's World Cup alongside England, China

and Denmark.

Haiti and Portugal have taken two of the last three places at the World Cup which will be decided at the this 10-team intercontinental playoff in New Zealand. Paraguay will play Panama Thursday for the last place in the 32-team tournament which will be co-hosted by Australia and New Zealand in July and August.

Haiti's Dumornay recently was signed by seven-time Champions League winners Lyon and showed why with two pieces of slick finishing. She won the race to a through ball from Roselord Borgella in first-half stoppage time to give Haiti a 1-0 lead at the break.

Dumornay then seemed to



make the game safe in the eighth of 11 minutes added on by the referee after Chile captain Christiane Endler had saved Nerilia Mondesir's attempt from the penalty spot.

But Maria Jose Rojas scored in the 11th minute of stoppage time to keep Chile's hopes alive and make the final moments nerve-racking for Haiti's Les Grenadiers, who held on to claim an historic victory.

Players shed tears of joy when the final whistle blew, reflecting on success attained in the most difficult of circumstances.

Haiti's Les Grenadiers had to win two matches in New Zealand to qualify for their first World Cup. They beat Senegal 4-0 in their opening match and then beat 38th-ranked Chile for their first ever win over a South American opponent.

Prior to the tournament midfielder Danielle Etienne told ESPN "there's a lot of unhappi-

ness in the country and football is the joy."

"Being able to qualify to the World Cup would be major," she said at the time. "We want that for the country as a whole, to have a breath of fresh air and kind of step aside from anything going on."

While Portugal's win was sealed late it came at the end of a dominant performance. Portugal had 20 shots on goal, most of which were comfortably saved by Cameroon's 16-year-old goalkeeper Cathy Biya who was promoted after Ange Bawou was sent off against Thailand.

Diana Gomes gave Portugal the lead after 22 minutes and the match seemed to be heading to extra time when Ajara Nchout Njoya equalized for Cameroon in the 89th minute.

But an Estelle Johnson hand ball was spotted after a VAR check and Costa scored from the penalty spot.



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Church

Mormon Church Fined \$32B

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and its investment arm have been fined \$5 million for using shell companies to obscure the size of the portfolio under church control, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission announced Tuesday.

The faith, widely known as the Mormon church, maintains billions of dollars of investments in stocks, bonds, real estate and agriculture. Much of its portfolio is controlled by Ensign Peak Advisers, a nonprofit investment manager overseen by ecclesiastical leaders known as its presiding bishopric.

The church has agreed to pay \$1 million and Ensign Peak will pay \$4 million in penalties based on the violation.

Ensign Peak avoided disclosing investments "with the church's knowledge," denying the SEC and the public of accurate information required under law, Gurbir Grewal, the agency's

enforcement director, said in a statement.

Federal investigators said for a period of 22 years, the firm violated agency rules and the Securities Exchange Act by not filing paperwork required that disclosed the value of its assets.

Instead, they said Ensign Peak filed the forms through 13 shell companies they created, even as they maintained decision-making power. They also had "business managers," most employed by the church, sign the required shell company filings.

"The Church was concerned that disclosure of its portfolio, which by 2018 grew to approximately \$32 billion, would lead to negative consequences," the SEC said in a statement announcing the charges.

Increasingly, the church and its Salt Lake City-based investment arm have faced scrutiny over the fact that tax law largely exempts religious groups from paying U.S. taxes. Ensign Peak is

registered as a supporting organization and integrated auxiliary of the church. Investment managers of its size are required to report stockholdings quarterly.

It gained traction in 2019 when a whistleblower alleged the church had stockpiled nearly \$100 billion in funds, rather than directing it toward charitable causes. Ensign Peak has since been a source of intrigue and mystery for the nearly 17-million member Utah-based faith, which encourages members worldwide to give 10% of their income in a what is known as "tithing."

Two years later, prominent church member James Huntsman filed a lawsuit against the church alleging it misrepresented how it used donations and, rather than direct them to charitable causes, invested in assets including real estate and an insurance business. A judge dismissed the complaint last year and Huntsman later appealed the decision.

SERMON of the WEEK



THE BATTLE IS NOT YOURS IT'S THE LORD'S

1 Samuel 17:8 "And he stood and cried unto the armies of Israel, and said unto them, Why are ye come out to set your battle in array? Am not I a Philistine, and ye servants to Saul? Choose you a man for you and let him come down to me."

This is a story that we all have heard before. The story of David and Goliath is one taught in Sunday Schools and Bible studies across the world. But through this story I would like to break it down so we all can understand.

Sometimes we go through things in life, and we call these things giants. These giants we face are not to destroy us, but rather to bring out what is within us.

Now this giant was brash and was talking trash to the Israelites. Easter is just around the corner, and you all know we



will be playing horseshoes at our Good Friday Sunday School Cookout at Lions Park. However, I use the same strategy as Goliath when playing horseshoes. I talk trash the whole time. I do this to get my opponents distracted. They end up focusing on what I am saying and not the game.

The devil tries to distract us with trash talk and noise. But always remember greater is in you than he that is in the world. We must have complete confidence in the Lord.

The Bible declares that David ran towards Goliath. This threw Goliath off his game. Goliath was so used to people getting caught up in his trash talk nobody was ever aggressive with him. David was on the offensive. He was running to the fight. While Goliath was watching David run at him, David was spinning his sling shot. So, when we begin to get on offensive the devil gets thrown off.

David had all confidence in God for he understood that as long as it was God's fight, he would be victorious. 1 Samuel 17:46-47 David declares, "this day will the LORD deliver thee into mine hand; and I will smite thee, and take thine head from thee; and I will give the carcases of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth; that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel. And all this assembly shall know that the LORD saveth not with sword and spear: for the battle is the LORD'S, and He will give you into our hands."

So, whatever you go through, just know as long as God is in the fight, we have the victory. I am so glad that we can do just like the Bible says stand still and see the salvation of the Lord. Keep on praying, keep on fighting. We Will Win !!!!!!!

Sermon by: Evangelist James Waddell

The History Of Lincoln Park

The film, "FROM THE SIN OF SLAVERY TO WINNING SOULS FOR CHRIST" makes its Black History Month World Premiere next Sunday, February 26

Raleigh, NC, February 19 2023 - In 1948, Bishop Eli Ratcliff, Sr. started a little wooden church in the heart of Southeast Raleigh, that 75 years later, has grown into a prominent holiness church led by Bishop Ratcliff Sr.'s grandson, General Overseer Pastor William "Billy" Eli Ratcliff.

But the story actually began years earlier, on an Anson County plantation in 1842, where Overseer Pastor Ratcliff's great, great, great grandfather, Washington, was sold into slavery, along with his older brother, Warren, to a white slave owner, Elijah Ratliff, for just \$400.00. A new film from director/journalist Cash Michaels, in association with producer Overseer Pastor William Eli Ratcliff, traces this extraordinary piece of local African American history.

The film titled, "Lincoln Park Holiness Church: From the Sin of Slavery to Winning Souls for Christ," retells the story not only of the Ratcliff family beginning with the sale of Washington to an Anson County plantation owner as a child, but how his descendants later founded Lincoln Park Holiness Church, and built it into a powerful place of worship over its 75-year history, and a vital source of food distribution and surrounding community revitalization today.

The film not only chronicles the leadership of the church's founder, Bishop Eli Ratcliff Sr., but the continued vision of his son, Bishop Eli Ratcliff, Jr., who courageously led Lincoln Park Holiness Church for an astounding 55 years before his

passing in 2015. During that time, the church caught fire, which devastated the building, forcing Bishop Ratcliff Jr. to rebuild it into the solid structure that stands at 13 Heath Street in Raleigh today. And now, as his son, General Overseer Pastor William "Billy" Eli Ratcliff, leads the church's continued mission of winning souls for Christ, this new film

(a Black History Month first for an area church), makes its' world premiere next Sunday, February 26 at 11 a.m. at Lincoln Park Holiness Church, 13 Heath Street in Raleigh. Admission is free, and dinner will be served after the screening.

To view trailer: <https://youtu.be/2JNJ68RLQzo>

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WHEN THE STORM COMES
Read: Acts 27:7-20

We have seasons of weather which happens on the earth which makes for certain conditions that produces four different seasons wherein we survive, work and live (Genesis 1:14). In a similar way life presents us with different seasons of life (Psalm 16:7). Our human seasons can experience life as joy and happiness, peace and contentment, boredom and worry, pain, and suffering. Such could be seen as the four seasons of our earthly lives. In short, we may experience these events seemingly in certain seasons. Hopefully these four seasons do not happen to us all at once (Acts 1:7).

We can enjoy all the earthly seasons and certain ones may be our favorite. Of course, there probably is one or more seasons which is not your favorite. The same can be said of our human seasons. The ole hymn, Sweet Hour of Prayer, says, "In seasons of distress and grief our souls often find relief" reminds us of the time when the "unwanted" season comes to us. It is obvious that we do not care to deal with the season of pain and suffering. But as the world turns, we can not stop these seasons from coming upon the earth or in our lives. The Bible teaches us that these unwanted seasons come to us in order to make us strong in our belief and faith.

Does this mean that prayer cannot help us in and out of our unwanted season(s)? Prayer does help and often bring relief to our

hurts. God promised us He will walk with us when we go through our unwanted seasons (John 14:1).

Certain unwanted seasons come to us when we are not expecting them and we have no control over them at times. This is similar to a ship being blown with contrary winds on the open sea.

St. Paul had an unwanted season in his life which Luke, the Physician, penned in the 27th chapter of the Book of Acts. James, the brother of our Lord, writes about the unwanted season of temptation and lust in the first chapter in his Book.

Paul had been arrested and was being taken to Rome for trial. This was an unwanted season for Paul because it took him from His favorite work - Preaching the Good News of the Gospel. Like a large ship laboring against a contrary wind, Paul was limited in his movements because of his being in bonds, yet he found a way to preach and write encouraging letters to some the new-found churches which needed spiritual direction and correction. Like a ship, Paul was fighting contrary winds while in bonds.

As Paul's ship was enroute to Rome, it ran into very strong and contrary winds, which in a sense didn't allow the ship to make any forward progress (Acts 27:14). These strong winds put the ship in danger as it piled up the high water waves against it. It was an unwanted season for everybody on board the ship, including those who held Paul in bondage.

The strong winds never allowed the ship to sail into any of the harbors they attempted. When we cannot bring our own lives (ship) into harbor for safety, we are in real trouble. Under these circumstances, it appears there is no way out. We lose our trust and faith, we lose our hope and peace of mind. At times, it may appear that we may lose our minds. We may even curse this unwanted season.

There is no secret in how to gain the victory in an unwanted season. The answer is to hold on to God's unchanging hand. No matter how rough the ride will be or may become, hold on to God. If you feel any faith working for you, just simply call out His name in your fear and or suffering.

The tossing around in fear and suffering in your experience in your unwanted season, believe it or not, is designed to make you stronger in your faith and hope. Scientists have found out that when a strong wind blows against a tree, it makes the roots grow stronger and deeper and the tree stands.

This must be the action of every Christian when their unwanted season comes. Hold on and cry out to the God that loves and cares for you. Christ is on board your vessel and He will captain you through your unwanted storms (1 Peter 5:7).

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By Stacy M. Brown
NNPA

Mississippi Democratic Congressman Bennie Thompson revealed that some of the 41,000 hours of video footage from the January 6, 2021, insurrection that House Speaker Kevin McCarthy (R-Calif.) turned over to Fox News included classified material that could threaten national security.

In an exclusive 65-minute interview with Let It Be Known, a live daily news show put on by the National Newspaper Publishers Association, Thompson, the head of the January 6 Commission, said he wanted to see what document McCarthy signed with Fox News to transfer the footage.

"There are serious national security implications, a lot of what we saw and did not share with the public as a committee," Thompson said in a no-holds-barred discussion with Black Press reporters on the program. "There are safeguards in place, and some of this material is privileged," he continued.

"You can't just open the store and let someone come in and clean it out. We want to see what document was executed for that transfer of information. I chaired the [January 6] committee, and I can tell you that there is clearly information in there that we choose not to put in the public arena because of its sensitivity."

The bold and unusual move by the House speaker of handing over such information reportedly comes after McCarthy faced intense pressure from his right flank to relitigate the work of the House select committee.

While it took an unprecedented 15 rounds of voting for McCarthy to win the speakership, one of the reasons Republicans relented was because he vowed to hold hearings on the Capitol riot.

Thompson noted that the cause for alarm rose further when McCarthy gave the classified information to Carlson, the most outspoken Fox host, to promote the lie that the 2020 election was stolen from former President Donald Trump.

"You turn the tapes over to a guy who was the cheerleader of lies being told, and even when he knew what he was saying was wrong, he kept saying it," Thompson railed.

"I don't know what it means from a journalistic standpoint, we can have differences of opinion, but when facts say something different and are irrefutable, and you try to promote alternate situations, that's not journalism," he continued.

"You turn this kind of information to these people who have been proven in a court of law not to tell the truth about a subject they had already acknowledged in court. Fox News has turned this information over to

the courts in a lawsuit, and now that same Fox News has access to information about January 6. The speaker should have said, 'I can't let you have this.' But he did."

While Thompson doesn't expect McCarthy to pay the price for his action, he stated his belief that he, a Democrat and African American, most certainly would have it been him who turned over classified information.

"I, and every other member of Congress, take an oath that you are not supposed to release that kind of information," Thompson declared.

"If you do, you have violated the oath of office and broken the law."

Thompson, who led the investigation into the January 6 insurrection, called it challenging to work with Republicans like McCarthy, Marjorie Taylor Greene of Georgia, and others.

"I think Speaker McCarthy, because of his challenge to become speaker, made so many off-the-record commitments to become the speaker that he can't say no to certain people," Thompson asserted.

"He can't say no to Marjorie Taylor Greene or some of those other folks. So it took him too long to become the speaker. Every time a vote was taken, they [negotiated, and ultimately McCarthy got the number he needed. Still, it's clear that he had to give up all authority and power inherent in a traditional speakership to get [the job]."

"So, I'm not surprised he gave this information to Fox News. They've been in his corner promoting an alternate reality, which is part of the payback to the Fox Network."

Thompson said politics are far different today than in previous times.

While many of his colleagues believe in the rule of law and that America is a nation of laws, Thompson said some in Congress differ substantially.

"Marjorie Taylor Greene tweeted that there should be a national divorce, but that's the Civil War. That's the 2.0 version of divide and conquer or us versus them," Thompson insisted.

"What we try to do is based on facts and to promote the truth," he continued.

"A lot of our colleagues could give a tinker's damn about the truth. I'll celebrate 30 years in this institution in a couple of months, and I've never seen it this partisan, and I've never seen the lack of respect I see now for the institution."

Thompson also revealed for the first time how challenging, and life-threatening serving on the January 6 Commission was.

"Every member ended up with a security detail," Thompson offered.

"The moment they landed in Washington, the Capitol police would meet them at the airport and be with them until they got back on the plane.



CONSERVATIVELY Speaking

By Paris Dennard

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

As we come to the end of Black History Month there is one question to be asked, what did we learn? In 1976, Republican President, Gerald R. Ford became the first American President to formally recognize "National Black History Month," starting a White House tradition of honoring what he called "the too-often neglected accomplishments of black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history."

As we all learn more about Black History, and historical figures we should also learn about what is being done today, and that is exactly what the America First Policy Institute (AFPI) did last week at their Black American policy summit entitled "Advancing the American Dream." As one of their Ambassadors, I was proud to see them host what I hope becomes an annual policy event. Rather than the standard social media graphic, cocktail reception, luncheon, or dinner, they chose to honor Black History Month with a substantive day-long policy conference in Washington D.C.

AFPI is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, non-partisan research policy-focused think tank that seeks to advance policies that put the American people first. Inspired by the works of Dr. King and other great Americans their American Dream coalition's agenda includes policy ideas "for laying the foundation for all citizens to achieve the American Dream. Policy ideas that will uplift forgotten communities, protect the sanctity of life, prioritize parental school choice and education opportunities, create capital inflow through opportunity zones, and preserve family unification are a major part of this Agenda." Those policy issues are centered around prosperity, education, freedom, and fatherhood.

Black American leaders like Ambassador Ken Blackwell, Dr. Alveda King, Scott Turner, Jack Brewer, and Gail Wilson work there under the leadership of former White House Domestic Policy Director Brooke Rollins.

Our celebration of Black History should also include the legislative victories that came about because of our Black leaders of the time, and everyday Americans who were engaged civically, enacting the policy changes needed to put us on the path to realize Dr. King's dream in a more tangible way.

The summit panel discussions focused on: addressing the fatherlessness crisis, the legacy of the civil rights movement, advancing the American Dream through legislation, and a conversation with former professional athletes committed to giving back and highlighting the importance of second chances and criminal justice reform.

During the fatherlessness crisis panel, important information was shared about where we are as a nation on this issue. Approximately one and four American children (nearly 24 million) live without a father in the home. Children without fathers in the home are nine times more likely to drop out of high school and six times more likely to live in poverty and commit criminal acts than children raised in dual-parent homes. Let me be clear, this does not mean that if you are a single mother

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MAGGIE DRAPER WALKER - BEFORE HER TIME

Tonight I was talking to a young female preacher who lives in another state. She told me that it was announced in her church that they were going to open a school to help prepare these members who are so led to pursue ministries granting them degrees, bachelors, masters, and doctorate degrees. Inspired, she went to the pastor in a meeting and shared with him that she had been ordained, had her masters and wanted to pursue her doctorate in divinity. He didn't respond to that but rather told her that she wouldn't have been ordained in their church because their church didn't ordain women. She said to me, "now I know that women are not equal to men, but I was shocked". I said, "and I'm shocked that you think that women are not equal to men". What Bible have you been studying, what God are you studying and what Holy "Spirit" is leading you?"

I hope I haven't caused any of my brother preachers (I'm not one) to have strokes or heart attacks but better that you be struck now than not have a Damascus Road experience. I wish my fellow classmate in C.E. Askew Sunday School class, Robert Jeffries, would take over writing this article because he'd help you with one sentence..... "You've got to read the whole Bible" and then he'd start turning pages in his well word Bible to begin and end his argument. If the Holy Spirit is in you, your mind would open and you'd begin anew to understand the God you say you believe in. Robert is not a typical preacher of the word nor does he have a Masters of divinity, but I'd suspect that he has led more followers of Christ to God than the average paid preacher in the average organized denomination. At

this point I need to say no more on this, so confident that I am that if any is willing "to lean not to their own understanding." God will show him what he has shown many of us women and men alike.

Instead, I want to introduce you to someone I hadn't met until this week. A woman named Maggie Walker. This month I've been connecting my morning affirmation with Black History Month (I text these out to approximately 30 people every morning). I'm getting educated myself. One of the people on the line, after seeing this lady's picture and a small commentary, got further information and detail. I'm feeling so blessed. I suspect some of you had heard about her before. She was born Maggie Lena Draper to a mother who was a

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Glen Mollette Speaks

By Glen Mollette

POLICE OFFICERS AND CITIZENS MUST HAVE MUTUAL RESPECT.

American citizens need police officers. Our state police, county sheriff's department and city police all deserve our help, respect and decent pay. None of us like being recipients of speeding or other motor vehicle violations. However, often a warning or a ticket may be what it takes to get our attention and might even save our lives.

When someone is threatening us we want the police. We expect them to come and help us. These are the men and women who often risk their lives to protect us. So, praise the good ones because they are deserving of honor.

The defund the police movement has been fueled by horrific incidents such as when Minneapolis police murdered George Floyd on May 25, 2020. This cruel and disturbing murder has been replayed over and over on national television. Most recently the horrific killing of Tyre Nichols in Memphis, Tennessee has fanned the flames of police hatred. These and other police brutality events continue to severely damage the image of America's police forces.

The behavior of five Memphis police officers toward Mr. Nichols was beyond criminal. This does not justify defunding the police. Such behavior reinforces the need that all those in law enforcement must have routine mental health tests. Only qualified people who have been thoroughly examined and trained should ever be allowed to wear a badge. Training and mental health evaluations must be ongoing.

The Five former Memphis police officers were charged with murder over the death of Tyre Nichols but pled not guilty in their first court appearance.

The arrest of Mr. Nichols on January 7 has been reported throughout the national media.

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"YOU EITHER CARE ABOUT PROTECTING KIDS OR YOU DON'T"

"As we sat at our desks working on our computers, we began to hear loud pops...I thought I was going to die. As I laid there, I begged God to please make it fast...My classmates pulled me behind a filing cabinet where I called my mom and my dad and said what I thought would be my last goodbyes. I told them how much I loved them, and asked that they please tell my brothers the same. I was so petrified that I began hyperventilating. My classmates had to cover my face so the shooter wouldn't hear my cries and come back. I will never forget that day. What I saw. What I did. What I experienced. What happened to my classmates."

"I was sitting and my professor was lecturing, and then I heard either three or four—I could hear gunshots directly behind my head, and I could see the smoke...Immediately, I dropped to the floor with all my classmates, and someone was yelling that there was a shooter and everybody needed to get down on the ground. And at that moment I thought that I was going to die. I was so scared. I didn't cry, which is surprising for me. I just kind of kept quiet, and I called my mom...My classmates in the back of the classroom started to scream for help, and my other classmates jumped into action, trying to help everyone...I will never forget the screams of my classmates, because they were screaming in pain for help."

The first quote above is from testimony 17-year-old high school senior Aalayah Eastmond gave before Congress as she described how she survived the mass shooting that killed 17 of her classmates, teachers, and friends at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, five years ago on Valentine's Day 2018. The second is from a television interview Michigan State University sophomore Claire Pappoulas gave on Tuesday morning, Valentine's Day 2023, as she described the mass shooting that just had happened hours earlier on Michigan State's campus, killing three students and critically injuring five others.

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Talk To Us

Stimulating a lively discussion of issues that concern the community is one of our main tasks at The Carolinian. We want to know what you think. This issue's topic:

With our government becoming more and more accepting of blurring the gender lines, where do you stand on individuals who were born male, competing in women's sports?

Other Viewpoints



THE JIM CROW BATTLE AGAINST BLACK HISTORY
By John Warren
San Diego Voice & Viewpoint

The current battle to remove books and any discussion about slavery and the treatment of Blacks is not new. This is what we call "Jim Crow", now presenting himself as "James Q. Esquire", the legislator. For those who might have forgotten, Jim Crow was often the name used to describe segregation; laws, customs, and rules that arose in the South after Reconstruction ended in 1877. "Reconstruction" is what efforts to rebuild the South were called after the Civil War. It was an effort to put the South back together, economically, without the benefit of slavery, which had been its most precious product.

Newly freed slaves were finding ways to buy land, start farms, run for office as was the case. During Reconstruction 16 African Americans served in the U.S. Congress, more than 600 were elected to the state legislatures, and hundreds more held local offices across the South. White Southerners were not pleased with either the independence of Blacks nor their efforts to own land, get educated and achieve, at the very least, equal status with Whites.

While we celebrate Black History month, and hopefully the resurgence of a study and appreciation for Black History, it's important that we use our knowledge of past efforts to suppress or erase us to fuel our present desire to do more and go further, collectively, than those who came before us. Whatever title the racist put on "Voter Suppression", and the battle against "Critical Race Theory" - which most can't spell or define - we must recognize all efforts to curtail our freedom or to create a new legal "White Zone", as the Mississippi legislature is attempting to do, all amount to "Jim Crow" efforts under new names and titles.

The good news is that we overcame past efforts at segregation and Jim Crow laws. With the knowledge, education and skills we now have at our disposal, we, the Black People of this country, born with rights of equality guaranteed under the Constitution, will neither abandon those rights nor have them taken from us. If we look at Black History everyday, we will recognize the revised efforts to suppress or eliminate us and we will prevail.



WHAT IS THE IDENTITY OF THE GOP
By Rodney Ross
contributor

Depending on your preference of televised news, the Grand Old Party either seems like the political sphere that is relentlessly trying to maintain traditional values, or it is seen as a despicable cancer that is eroding our republic with archaic ideals that do not reflect the current scope of America or the direction it is going.

Ask the typical uninformed African American what they think of the Republican Party and you will almost always hear the response "racist." For many African Americans in highly concentrated urban communities, the Republican Party is both white and tone deaf. There is the assumption that the party has nothing to offer them and there is no effort to inform this base because of the belief that African Americans are simply going to vote Democrat no matter what. This means that the party thinks that we do not think. We brainlessly cast ballots without careful thought, consideration, and thoroughly vetting who we place in charge.

The question still remains, what is the identity of the Republican Party? What is conservatism. It's supposed to be a representation of less government. This means local municipalities make their own decisions on how they want to govern their cities, counties, and government without excessive oversight from the federal government. This in itself would allow for freedom of religion, expression, orientation, etc. because the people locally will democratically vote on what identity they want for themselves. So long as civil liberties are not infringed or violates citizens constitutional rights, there shouldn't be any protests over majority voice cast in the ballot.

When we listen to mainstream news, the overwhelming consensus is that the party either wants to deny America's history from the perspective of its most marginalized population or they are an ultra-Christian base that wants to set women's reproductive choices back to medieval dark ages. If this is the case, then it flat out violates the fundamental principles the party "traditionally" represents which is government oversight and overreach.

If we look at staunch Christian values, we are not supposed to be in a state of open drunkenness. Yet, we allow our children to watch sports, and go to professional sporting events where alcohol is marketed directly to its most vulnerable base - children. As adults, we already know which form of intoxicant is our go to preference. We do not need catchy jingles, funny commercials, or animated graphics and such to solicit and influence our choice to purchase. Yet children are by far one of the largest bases that watch professional sports and that doesn't stop networks, or the GOP, for putting forth the same level of concern for what children are exposed to like LGBTQ+ issues. Or is this a battle of, I think my level of sin is not as bad as your level of sin, so let me cast stones at you from inside of my glass house.

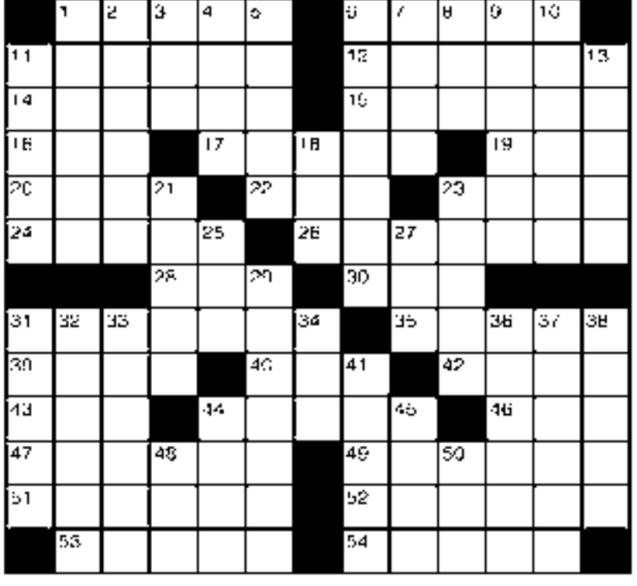
Two important names in African American history are Hiram Revels and Blanche K. Bruce. Revels was born in North Carolina in 1827. "He raised two black regiments during the Civil War and fought at the battle of Vicksburg in Mississippi. The Mississippi state legislature sent him to the U.S. Senate during Reconstruction, where he became an outspoken opponent of racial segregation." Revels only served one year as a Senator.

Bruce was born into slavery in 1841. By the dawn of the Civil war, he escaped north to find freedom and acquired an esteemed career in education and politics in 1874 by the Mississippi state legislature, where he served from 1875 to 1881.

It would be 86 years before the United States would see another African American as a senator. In 1967, Washington D.C. native Edward Brooke would become the third African American to reach the senate seat, representing Massachusetts. Brooke was a World War II veteran and was vocal about low-income housing and an increased minimum wage and promoted commuter rail and mass transit systems. He also worked tirelessly to promote racial equality in the South.

King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Shade of blue
 - 6 Wanderer
 - 11 Physician, slangily
 - 12 Lessened
 - 14 Veap before Biden
 - 15 - del Fuego
 - 16 Some fridges
 - 17 Egypt's Anwar
 - 19 Have a bug
 - 20 Sunrise direction
 - 22 - Alamos
 - 23 Faction
 - 24 Cybercommerce
 - 26 Pungent relish
 - 28 Scratch
 - 30 Pub pint
 - 31 Passageway for Santa
 - 35 'Three Sisters' sister
 - 39 - Godiva
 - 40 Dict. info
 - 42 'Star Trek II' villain
 - 43 'Hall, Caesar!'
- DOWN**
- 1 Prepare left-overs
 - 2 Black Sea port
 - 3 Feminine principle
 - 4 High cards
 - 5 Faithful
 - 6 Boris' cartoon partner
 - 7 Final notice
 - 8 West of Hollywood
 - 9 Subway line in an Flington
 - 10 Mock
 - 11 'Me and Bobby -'
 - 13 Longtime Chicago mayor
 - 18 Elmer. to Bugs
 - 21 'Lassie' lad
 - 23 Porterhouse, e.g.
 - 25 PC linking system
 - 27 Einstein's birthplace
 - 29 Stinging insects
 - 31 Purse fastener
 - 32 Attack
 - 33 Think up
 - 34 Hankering
 - 36 Polished
 - 37 Sanctuaries
 - 38 In the blink of -
 - 41 Confronted
 - 44 Word of warning
 - 45 Actress
 - 48 Elisabeth
 - 50 Bio stat



After Brooke, nine more black senators would gain the seat. Of those nine, only one would be a Republican, Tim Scott of South Carolina. Out of the remaining eight, one of them became president of the United States, Barack Obama, and the other became Vice President, Kamala Harris.

This affectionately represents what many descendants of slaves refer to as "the big switch." But was there ever really a switch, or was there just a strategic use of propaganda. When Martin Luther King Jr. was arrested in Georgia, it was known that he had a healthy and open relationship with then Vice President Nixon. In that time of crisis, it was not Nixon who called his wife Corretta to offer support and aid, but Democrat Senator Kennedy. King admitted that he strongly felt that the only reason for the reach was for political gain and not genuine concern. However, he vocally called out Nixon for being a coward and saying nothing at all. That slight led to Kennedy's election. A lesson the Democratic Party has not forgotten since and Republicans are slow to learn. It's interesting what happens when politicians engage our base on our platforms. It typically turns out well.

No greater proof is the fact that a reality T.V. Star went from firing people to becoming the 45th president of the United States. A staggering number of African American men placed their votes for Mr. Trump in both elections. There are so many variables to quantify the why. But a compelling correlation is that he threw the script in the burn barrel and didn't speak cryptic tongue like groomed politicians. Fate is not without its irony. That same candor is also what led to being replaced by a far worse candidate. Despite what good he could have done, the lack of politician honey attracted less voter bees and the African American base set a clear precedent. We'll let a wasp in that will destroy our hive before we vote for a person who openly disrespects our base or does not have the courage to call out injustices against us. This is a threat to both parties. The one thing that Martin Luther King Jr. exemplified, as many Americans used to do, is that he kept his political preference covert so that it allowed him to be critical of both parties. Today it is almost impossible to find a representative of either party who will openly chastise its peers when they're out of pocket. Although Chip Roy and Ted Cruz are outliers. Everyone else seems to be along for the ride and are enjoying the concessions of the house in the senate.

Ultimately, all Americans want to see themselves reflected in positions where important decisions are made. Leadership is by far the most challenging role anyone can possibly assume because you are responsible for the people you represent. More often than not, the people you represent will not look like you, will not believe as you, and some ground of compromise has to be found to allow all facets to feel like their perspectives are considered, and validated, even if they are baseless. This is the point of the ballot. The ballot becomes the base upon which all things are built on. Today it does not feel that way. There is a strong base of Republicans that are 100% pro-choice over pro-life. Why? Because it's government overreach. When Roe vs Wade was overturned, people overlooked the balance that represents the supreme court. What they intended to do was put the power in the hands of the states where it belongs and remove any federal mandate because it is not a constitutional right to abort life. The great thing about the United States is, in two years, if your representatives failed your expectations, you get to hire a new one. The Republicans could promote this and remind people of the power they possess at the ballot, but it feels like they are too content with the status quo volley they are playing with Democrats. Frankly, the fire-with-fire thing that's happening is tired and boring.

All the Republican Party has to do to present to the demographic it should be reaching, is to express and expose what solutions it currently has in place. The sands of time are slipping away on opportunity zones. Something that the Democrats have worked around the clock to suppress, while covertly exploiting for themselves. The Republican Party did a staggering job with pushing the envelope for criminal justice reform and it has gone nowhere but backwards during this current tenure. There is no need to qualify what the GOP's identity is by showing all the ugly of its counterpart. They do a fantastic job of that by themselves. Only the village idiot got joyful goosebumps at the state of the union address. The real black people looked in their refrigerator, their stack of bills piled up on the coffee table, and they are saying that nervous quiet prayer "please let this go through" while paying at the cashier.

The real black base are not middle school and junior high children, who get excited when a circle forms to watch people fight. We are civilized and quite adult, and therefore expect those who wish to represent our vote to conduct themselves as such. Children point fingers and lay blame. Adults come with the solutions and corrections. I openly ask that a person of the GOP answers this request. What is your identity, as it relates to this base and what are you offering? Silence is consent in "traditional" values, and that silence means to us that you consent to give away our votes to the other party.

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your child will automatically end up in one of these statistics. There are countless examples of how children from fatherless homes have achieved great things and grown up to be amazing parents. However, the facts are the facts. AFPI's leaders like Jack Brewer are creating and highlighting and educating policy positions at the state level to address this issue head-on via their Center for Opportunity Now. In fact, last year, Florida Governor Ron DeSantis, signed a \$70 million bill to support initiatives to promote fatherhood.

When you think about Black History and Civil Rights the media ignores Black Republicans like Clarence Henderson from North Carolina at the Woolworths sit-in, Ambassador Ken Blackwell, a member of Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) and The Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), Secretary Alphonso Jackson who marched and was injured on Bloody Sunday walking on the Edmund Pettus Bridge, and two presenters at the AFPI summit, Dr. Alveda King (niece of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.) and Wanda Evers (niece of Medgar Evers). These two women came together to share some of their stories and talk about how there is a need for action in states like Mississippi, to address some of the many challenges Black families are facing, and how the impact of Civil Rights engagement has not died, but continues.

Policies like the First Step Act and the issue of criminal justice reform are important topics where we can come together and unite to push for more change and improvement in states like North Carolina. Hearing athletes like Duke Tanner and Frank Murphy (members of the AFPI athletes for American coalition), talk about ways we can address recidivism, opportunities for the formerly imprisoned, and how smart policy like criminal justice reform can literally change lives and bring hope and healing to restore families and communities was emotional and transformative.

The keynote speaker featured panelist, and the only elected official present was North Carolina Lieutenant Governor Mark Robinson. When we look back historically, most of the change we saw began in the states, activism and engagement and the fight for justice was done at the grassroots level that matriculated up to the federal level both in the legislatures and in the courts.

Lt. Governor Robinson shared his personal story of living the American Dream because of the work ethic, faith, and discipline of his parents, namely his mother who worked at North Carolina A&T as a custodian. She was able to provide her family off that salary in the 1970's because she was fiscally conservative and lived within her means. He connected that to how conservative economic policies can improve economies in the state, especially in the western and eastern portions of the state.

As Black History Month ends, the work continues, and much of the work needs to be focused on learning more about how conservative, America First focused policies can restore America's promise of life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness. We can learn and appreciate amazing leaders from the past to mobilize and enact conservative policy changes we need today to empower and uplift every voice in our Black community.

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slave and an Irishman worker in the community. Actually when you see her picture it would be easy to confuse her with being Caucasian. She grew up during Reconstruction in Richmond, Virginia. Her mother married a servant in the home where she worked but tragically he died and her mother took in laundry, washing and ironing, to provide for her son and daughter. Maggie had a quality environment to grow up in as she lived in the home of a spy and abolitionist Elizabeth Van Lew. The community church and the school that was formed played an important role in the formation of who she was to become.

I of course also believe that she was purposed by God to show the racist and chauvinist of the time that he makes nothing inferior. She had it in her to be a proud black woman who used the tools of her intelligence, racial pride to forge ahead to create "living" for her people and her family. In Richmond, Virginia she lead protest against the school system as a senior in highschool that though unsuccessful, was courageous during that Jim Crow era. Not to be deterred, she built a newspaper and a bank, where she trained and employed young women as clerks, bookkeepers and typist. Her newspaper educated her readers to their true nature as equal under God, black men and women alike and her bank "Penny Wise Savings (the first bank owned and operated by African Americans) provided a place for checking and savings accounts, mortgage loans and business creation. She inspired her readers to "buy black" and was a civil rights activist who led a boycott against a discriminatory transit system which totally shut it down after years of protest. Maggie married Armstead Walker, a brick contractor, and almost immediately lost her job as a teacher because there were those who believed that women could not work and raise a family simultaneously. She had two sons and adopted a female child relative as well but society's ignorance was a stepping stone to her power for it was in this environment that she built the aforementioned businesses. Tragically her husband was killed accidentally and she became a single mother. Proving the ignorance of their conclusions. I hope you will get a chance to research this for yourself because there are even more details I've left unstated about this remarkable African American woman and what she did in her 70 years upon this earth. I'm not embarrassed that I had never heard of her because I'm aware that in 2023 there are still those who are attempting to keep these historical truths from us.

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They were fired after an internal investigation by the Memphis Police Department. "Memphis and the whole world need to see that what's right is done in this case, and it needs to happen sooner rather than later," lead prosecutor Paul Hagerman told reporters.

The officers were arrested and taken into custody on January 26, after the Memphis police reviewed bodycam footage of the violent arrest.

In the footage, 29-year-old Mr. Nichols can be heard calling for his mother as he is beaten by police after being pulled over for alleged reckless driving. He was pepper-sprayed, kicked and punched by the officers and died in hospital three days later.

Memphis Police Chief Cerelyn Davis said the incident was "not just a professional failing", but "a failing of basic humanity toward another individual". (Source BBC news)

I believe that 99 percent of the men and women wearing badges are good people who are looking out for our welfare and safety. The actions of a few should not discredit all law enforcement. Whether it's politics, medical doctors, attorneys, business persons and more there are always a few bad apples that make others look bad.

Police officers have the upper hand. They have a badge and a gun. We should give them respect and they should respect all citizens. Having a badge never gives any law enforcement officer the right to pour out their frustrations, racial hatreds or their own personal demons on another citizen. No one is ever in a position to put up a defense as sadly shown by Tyre Nichols, George Floyd and too many others.

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I thought I was going to die...I called my mom...I will never forget. Why do we continue to allow this to happen to our children? We are now seeing young Americans who've gone through the same trauma more than once, including several of the students at Michigan State. One freshman who lost two friends in a school shooting in Oxford Township, Michigan in November 2021 called her mother as she heard the gunshots and watched people fleeing the student union building Monday night, crying, "Mom, I just want to come home."

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The Undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Russell Alan Holcomb, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 4th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 2nd day of February, 2023.

Pamela Ryan
Executor
12419 Rustic View Court
Tampa, FL 33635

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Having qualified as Personal Representative of the Estate of Amy K. Martin, deceased, of 6818 Iron Gate Drive, Bahama, Durham County, North Carolina 27503, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at the office of the attorney for the estate on or before May 4, 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 2nd day of February, 2023

Jo-Ann Wagner
Personal Representative
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The Undersigned, having qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of Larry Lee McCorkle, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 4th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 2nd day of February, 2023.

Tracey Harris
Administratrix
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Mebane, NC 27302
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The Undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Goldie M. McCorkle a/k/a Goldie Marie McCorkle, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 4th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 2nd day of February, 2023.

Tracey Harris
Co-Executor
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Robyn D. McCorkle
Co-Executor
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Durham, NC 27704

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The Undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Francisco M. Nieves a/k/a Francisco Michael Nieves, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 4th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 2nd day of February, 2023.

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DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 54

The Undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Eleanette Maccene Brown-Lyerly a/k/a Eleanette Maccene Brown a/k/a Eleanette Maccene Lyerly, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 4th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 2nd day of February, 2023.

Ronald A. Sisco, Sr.
Administrator
3315 Fayetteville Street
Durham, NC 27707
2/2, 2/9, 2/16 and 2/23/2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 59

The Undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Anita Hines, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 4th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 2nd day of February, 2023.

Keni Church-Hines
Administrator
4801 Swann's Mill Dr
Durham, NC 27703
2/2, 2/9, 2/16 and 2/23/2023

NOTICE TO CREDITORS 23 E 129

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against Kenneth Harrison Dudley a/k/a Kenneth H. Dudley a/k/a Kenneth Dudley, late of Durham County, North Carolina, are hereby notified to exhibit them to Angela Dudley Jenkins, Executor of the decedent's estate on or before May 15, 2023, c/o Thomas J. Neagle, Attorney at Law, 605 W. Main Street, Suite 104, Carrboro, North Carolina 27510, or this notice will be pled in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the above-named Executor.

This, the 9th day of February, 2023.

Angela Dudley Jenkins, Executor
c/o Thomas J. Neagle, Attorney
605 W. Main Street, Suite 104
Carrboro, North Carolina 27510
Attorney for Estate:
Thomas J. Neagle
Neagle Law Firm, PC
605 W. Main Street, Suite 104
Carrboro, North Carolina 27510
(919) 368-3536
February 9, 16, 23, March 2, 2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division

Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 143

The Undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Dennis J. Dejianna, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 11th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 9th day of February, 2023.

Susan Sattazahn
Executor
10 Yorkwood Dr
Brick, NJ 08723
2/9, 2/16, 2/23 and 3/2/2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 75

The Undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Esther Joyce Newhook, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 11th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 9th day of February, 2023.

Richard John Newhook
Executor
1220 Chronicle Drive
Durham, NC 27703
2/9, 2/16, 2/23 and 3/2/2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS File Number 23 E 159

The Undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Gary Merrill Cross, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 11th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 9th day of February, 2023.

Walter John Cross III
Administrator
c/o Ann Marie Vosburg
Law Offices of Ann Marie Vosburg
307 Meadowlands Dr
Suite 102
Hillsborough, NC 27278
919-644-1300
2/9, 2/16, 2/23 and 3/2/2023
NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

File No. 2022 E 1476

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of STANLEY K. ROSENBERG AKA STANLEY KALMAN ROSENBERG, deceased, late of Durham County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before MAY 12, 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms or corporations indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 9th day of February, 2023.

Lisa P. Beuerle aka Lisa P. Rosenberg
Executor of the Estate of Stanley K. Rosenberg aka Stanley Kalman Rosenberg
6094 Royster Road
Greensboro, NC 27455
N. BLANE STANALAND
Teague Rotenstreich Stanaland Fox & Holt, P.L.L.C.
101 South Elm Street, Suite 350
Greensboro, NC 27401
Telephone: (336) 272-4810
Fax: (336) 272-2448
2/9/2023, 2/16/2023, 2/23/2023, 3/2/2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 103

The Undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the Estate

of Barbara A. Ethridge, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 11th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 9th day of February, 2023.

Billie Jo Mabry aka Billie Mabry Wilson
Executrix
2714 Sparger Road
Durham, NC 2770501641
2/9, 2/16, 2/23 and 3/2/2023

qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Gary Merrill Cross, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 11th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 9th day of February, 2023.

Walter John Cross III
Administrator
c/o Ann Marie Vosburg
Law Offices of Ann Marie Vosburg
307 Meadowlands Dr
Suite 102
Hillsborough, NC 27278
919-644-1300
2/9, 2/16, 2/23 and 3/2/2023
NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

File No. 2022 E 1476

The undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of STANLEY K. ROSENBERG AKA STANLEY KALMAN ROSENBERG, deceased, late of Durham County, North Carolina, does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before MAY 12, 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms or corporations indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 9th day of February, 2023.

Lisa P. Beuerle aka Lisa P. Rosenberg
Executor of the Estate of Stanley K. Rosenberg aka Stanley Kalman Rosenberg
6094 Royster Road
Greensboro, NC 27455
N. BLANE STANALAND
Teague Rotenstreich Stanaland Fox & Holt, P.L.L.C.
101 South Elm Street, Suite 350
Greensboro, NC 27401
Telephone: (336) 272-4810
Fax: (336) 272-2448
2/9/2023, 2/16/2023, 2/23/2023, 3/2/2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 103

The Undersigned, having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of Barbara A. Ethridge, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 11th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 9th day of February, 2023.

Billie Jo Mabry aka Billie Mabry Wilson
Executrix
2714 Sparger Road
Durham, NC 2770501641
2/9, 2/16, 2/23 and 3/2/2023
ADAIR REALTY GROUP, LLC v. CHRISTY L. HOWARD, JENNIFER H. LEONCE, MICROF and PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES, LLC

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 22SP860

Adair Realty Group, LLC,
Petitioner,
v
Christy L. Howard, Jennifer H. Le-

once, Microf, and
Portfolio Recovery Associates,
LLC,
Respondents.

To: Christy L. Howard and Jennifer H. Leonce, Respondents

Take notice that a Petition for Release of Surplus Funds has been filed in the above action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: Petitioners are seeking release of surplus funds resulting from foreclosure of that certain property known as 916 Danbury Dr. Durham, NC 27703, Durham County, North Carolina.

You are required to make response to such pleading no later than the 23rd day of March, 2023, which is 40 days from the first publication of this notice. Upon your failure to file a pleading by the above date, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This the 9th day of February, 2023.

Ruth M. Allen
The Walls Law Group
5511 Capital Center Drive, Suite 180
Raleigh NC 27606
Phone: 919.647.9599
2/9, 2/16 and 2/23/2023

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DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 22 E 1577

The Undersigned, having qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of Johnathan Brian Horton, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 11th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 9th day of February, 2023.

Gwen Manley Ghent
Administratrix
c/o Kangur & Porter, LLP
2150 Country Club Road
Suite 160
Winston Salem, NC 27104
2/9, 2/16, 2/23 and 3/2/2023

Notice to Creditors

Having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Eugene Richardson, late of 405 E. Pilot St., Apt. E3, Durham, Durham County, North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the estate of said decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at Law Office of Ken Hirsh, 1821 Hillandale RD, STE 1B-344, Durham, North Carolina 27705, on or before the 19th day of May, 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 16th day of February, 2023.

/s/ Ewanda L. Richardson
Administrator of the Estate of Eugene Richardson
Kenneth J. Hirsh
Law Office of Ken Hirsh
1821 Hillandale RD STE 1B-344
Durham, NC 27705
2/16, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9/2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 164

The Undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Sheila Ann Hill, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 18th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 16th day of February, 2023.

Quintelia H. Mitchell
Administrator
1413 Ridgeway Avenue
Durham, NC 27701
2/16, 2/23, 3/2 and 3/9/2023
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DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice

Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 163

The Undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Vyrtee B. Hight, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 18th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 16th day of February, 2023.

Robert E. Hight
Executor
c/o Marion Law Office, PLLC
2741 University Drive
Durham, NC 27707
2/16, 2/23, 3/2 and 3/9/2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 134

The Undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Carol S. Scott a/k/a Carolyn Ada Scott, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 18th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 16th day of February, 2023.

Michael Harley Scott
Executor
250 Wind Shadow Court
Roswell, GA 30075-2830
2/16, 2/23, 3/2 and 3/9/2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 178

The Undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Virgie Garrett Bassinov, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 18th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 16th day of February, 2023.

Harvey Garrett
Administrator CTA
1238 Surl Mr. Tirzah Road
Timberlake, NC 27583
2/16, 2/23, 3/2 and 3/9/2023

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The undersigned, Norma L. Daye, having duly qualified as Executrix of the Estate of Charles Edward Daye, deceased, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby notifies all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the Estate to present them to the undersigned in care of Ronald G. Coulter, Attorney for the Estate, 3400 Croasdaile Drive, Suite 205, Durham, North Carolina 27705, on or before May 19, 2023 or it will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 16th day of February, 2023.

Norma L. Daye
Executrix
C/O Ronald G. Coulter
Attorney at Law
3400 Croasdaile Drive
Suite 205
Durham, NC 27705
1-919-246-5775
2/16, 2/23, 3/2 and 3/9/2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 154

The Undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Frances Duke Riley, a/k/a Frances Riley, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having

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claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 18th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 16th day of February, 2023.

Sandra Cole
Executor
25 Walkabout Way
Chapel Hill, 27516
2/16, 2/23, 3/2 and 3/9/2023

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND DEBTORS OF

TARA THOMPSON a/k/a TARA ELIZABETH THOMPSON

All persons, firms, and corporations having claims against Tara Thompson a/k/a Tara Elizabeth Thompson, now deceased, are notified to exhibit them to Richard Lewis Thompson, Executor of the decedent's estate, on or before the 16th day of May, 2023, at Post Office Box 2290, Burlington, North Carolina 27216, or be barred from their recovery.

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the above-named Executor.

Richard Lewis Thompson
Executor of the Estate of Tara Thompson
a/k/a Tara Elizabeth Thompson
(23 E 65)

C. Thomas Steele, Jr.
Pittman & Steele, PLLC
Post Office Box 2290
Burlington, NC 27216
336-270-4440

February 16 and 23 and March 2 and 9, 2023

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NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 183

The Undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Howard Monroe Fitts, Jr., late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 26th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Howard Arnold Fitts
Executor
7312 Arbron Dr
Durham, NC 27713

2/23, 3/2, 3/9 and 3/16/2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 120

The Undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Elaine H. Yarborough, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 25th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Felicia M. Yarborough
Administrator
611 Nash Street
Durham, NC 27707

2/23, 3/2, 3/9 and 3/16/2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 93

The Undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Sandra Faye Saunders, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 26th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate

payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Bartow Saunders III
Administrator
25 Burgess Lane
Durham, NC 27707
2/23, 3/2, 3/9 and 3/16/2023

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The undersigned having qualified as Executor of the Estate of EARL O. FARLOW a/k/a EARL ODOM FARLOW Deceased, late of Durham County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the Estate to Exhibit them to the undersigned at the office of IDOL LAW, PLLC, PO Box 51759, Durham, North Carolina 27712, on or before the 26th day of May, 2023, or this Notice will be in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment.

This is the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Gary F. Farlow
Executor
Estate of Earl O. Farlow a/k/a Earl Odom Farlow, Deceased.
Robert A. Idol, Esquire
IDOL LAW, PLLC
Attorney at Law
PO Box 51759
Durham, NC 27717
(919) 401-5151
2/23, 3/2, 3/9 and 3/16/2023

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The undersigned having qualified as Executor of the Estate of BETSY M. FARLOW a/k/a BETSY MERLE FARLOW Deceased, late of Durham County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against the Estate to Exhibit them to the undersigned at the office of IDOL LAW, PLLC, PO Box 51759, Durham, North Carolina 27712, on or before the 26th day of May, 2023, or this Notice will be in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment.

This is the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Gary F. Farlow
Executor
Estate of Betsy M. Farlow a/k/a Betsy Merle Farlow, Deceased.
Robert A. Idol, Esquire
IDOL LAW, PLLC
Attorney at Law
PO Box 51759
Durham, NC 27717
(919) 401-5151
2/23, 3/2, 3/9 and 3/16/2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The undersigned, having qualified as Executors of the Estate of MEREDITH SLANE PERSON AKA MEREDITH SLANE FINCH MICHENER of Durham County, North Carolina, do hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before May 24, 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons, firms or corporations indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.

CIBC National Trust Company
Co-Executor of the Estate of Meredith Slane Person aka Meredith Slane Finch Michener
3290 Northside Parkway NW
7th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30327
Sumner Slane Finch
Co-Executor of the Estate of Meredith Slane Person aka Meredith Slane Finch Michener
1204 Westwood Avenue
High Point, NC 27262
Edgar S. Levy III
Gallimore Levy Chrisawn Gallimore
PLLC 1838 Eastchester Drive
Ste 100
High Point, NC 27265
Telephone: (336) 754-8489
2/23, 3/2, 3/9 and 3/16/2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

THE UNDERSIGNED, having qualified on the 10th day of February, 2023, as Executor of the ESTATE OF PATRICIA HARDING NESTLER A/K/A PATRICIA NESTLER, Deceased, of Durham County, North Carolina, do hereby notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against said Estate to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 24th day of May, 2023 or this Notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned.

This, the 23rd day of February, 2023.

KATHRYN NESTLER
EXECUTOR
ESTATE OF PATRICIA HARDING NESTLER
A/K/A PATRICIA NESTLER
c/o Shirley M. Diefenbach, Attorney
Walker Lambe, PLLC
Post Office Box 51549
Durham, North Carolina 27717
2/23, 3/2, 3/9 and 3/16/2023

NOTICE TO CREDITORS 2023 E 204

ALL PERSONS, firms and corporations having claims against Omelia L. Walker, of Durham County, N.C., are notified to exhibit the same to the undersigned on or before the 25th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Tanya Wiley
7718 Abbottsinch Court
Charlotte, NC 28269
2/23, 3/2, 3/9 and 3/16/2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 81

The Undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Mary Anne Weaver, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 26th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Mary Caroline Weaver
Executor
2222 West Club Blvd
Durham, NC 27705
2/23, 3/2, 3/9 and 3/16/23
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 22 E 1350

The Undersigned, having qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of Gloria Ann McAllister, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 26th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Sherri Morrison
Administratrix
2290 Merck Drive
Unit 203
Winston Salem, NC 27106
2/23, 3/2, 3/9 and 3/16/23
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 22 E 1206

The Undersigned, having qualified as Administratrix of the Estate of Tabbatha Renee Harris Deshazo, late of Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 26th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Deborah H. Walker
Administratrix
357 Barrett Street
Danville, VA 24541
2/23, 3/2, 3/9 and 3/16/23
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 233

The Undersigned, having qualified as Executor of the Estate of Henry Jack Wilkerson, late of

Durham County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 26th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Jill Wilkerson Smith
Executor
1109 Lynch Cir.
Warminster, PA 18974
2/23, 3/2, 3/9 and 3/16/23

NOTICE TO CREDITORS File Number 23 E 179

Having qualified as the personal representative of the estate of James W. Faucette, late of Durham County, NC, Jill F. Hofler, the undersigned, does hereby notify all persons, firms, and corporations having claims against the estate of decedent to exhibit them to the undersigned at 1007 Vickers Ave., Durham, NC 27707, on or before June 15, 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All persons, firms and corporations indebted to the estate will please make prompt payment to the undersigned.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Jill Faucette Hofler
Executrix
Wilfred F. Drake, P.C.
Attorney for the Estate
1007 Vickers Ave.
Durham, NC 27707
919-683-8441
2/23, 3/2, 3/9 and 3/16/23

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF DAVID FREDERICK WILLIAM GRANT DURHAM COUNTY FILE NO. 2023 E 195

All persons, firms, and corporations having claims against David Frederick William Grant deceased, of Durham County, North Carolina are notified to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 26th day of May, 2023 or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Sharon Grant
Executor
1107 Grangerford Ct.
Durham, NC 27703
Attorney, Walter Brodie Burwell, Jr.
Envisage Law
2601 Oberlin Road, Suite 100
Raleigh, NC 27608
2/23, 3/2, 3/9 and 3/16/23

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WAKE COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 2022 E 004326

The Undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of William Kent Whitlow, late of Wake County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 4th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 2nd day of February, 2023.

Susan Beth Whitlow
Co-Administrator
9008 Stockfield Lane
Zebulon, NC 27597
Richard Kenneth Witlow
Co-Administrator
9008 Stockfield Lane
Zebulon, NC 27597
2/2, 2/9, 2/16 and 2/23/2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 2023 E 000155

The Undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Catherine Graves Phillips, late of Wake County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 4th day of May 2023, or

this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 2nd day of February, 2023.

Barbara Moring Graves
Administrator
1908 Southgate Dr
Raleigh, NC 27610
2/2, 2/9, 2/16 and 2/23/2023
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 23 E 154

The Undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Raymond Graves, late of Wake County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 4th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 2nd day of February, 2023.

Barbara Moring Graves
Administrator
1908 Southgate Dr
Raleigh, NC 27610
2/2, 2/9, 2/16 and 2/23/2023

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF WAKE

In the General Court of Justice
District Court Division
File No: 21 CVD 4476

CONTINUANCE OF TEMPORARY HEARING ON CUSTODY

SHEDIAH PALMER,

Plaintiff

v.
JERMAINE PALMER,

Defendant

The action before the court is continued. The new trial will be held on Wednesday, March 1, 2023, at 9 a.m. in Courtroom 2B of the Wake County Courthouse, 316 Fayetteville Street Mall, Raleigh, NC 27601.

The reason for the continuation: "Not Heard on 1/4/23."

2/9, 2/16 and 2/23/2023
NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF WAKE

In the General Court of Justice District Court Division File No. 22- CVD -13243

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

To: NICOLAS SARABIA BERRI-STAIN, Defendant.

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is for child custody. You are required to make defense to such pleading no later than March 23, 2023, said date being at least forty (40) days from the first publication of this Notice, and upon your failure to do so, the Plaintiff, MARIA DEL CARMEN PEREZ VARO, will apply to the Wake County courthouse located at 316 Fayetteville St, Raleigh, NC 27601 for the relief sought on April 11, 2023 at 9:00am in courtroom 4D.

This, the 9th day of February, 2023.

Aneta Paval, Esq.
Paval Law Offices, PLLC
7404 Chapel Hill Rd
Suite M
Raleigh NC 27607
Telephone: (919) 410-6690
2/9, 2/16 and 2/23/23
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION In The General Court Of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk File Number 2023E000331

The Undersigned, having qualified as Administrator of the Estate of Betty H. Zimmerman, late of Wake County, North Carolina, hereby wishes to notify all persons having claims against the Estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned at the below listed address on or before the 16th day of May 2023, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons indebted to the Estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned at the below listed address.

This the 16th day of February, 2023.

Carol Bunch
Administrator
3316 Neptune Drive
Raleigh, NC 27604
2/16, 2/23, 3/2 and 3/9/23

NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION Small Claims Division File No. 23 CV 000541

Cross Solutions Towing & Recovery, Inc

Plaintiff,

v.

Unknown Owner

Defendant,

TAKE NOTICE the petitioner has filed with the clerk a petition in proper form indicating that the petitioner has a valid lien against a 1969 Dodge, ID No. WP23F9A194105, and that the petitioner shall have the right to sell to the highest bidder the motor vehicle listed. Court date set for March 14 at 9:30 AM at 316 Fayetteville Street 3rd floor Raleigh NC 27601.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Cross Solutions Towing & Recovery Inc
5414 Cowan Ln
Raleigh, NC 27610
919-909-4040
2/23 and 3/2/23
NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION Small Claims Division File No. 23 CV 000542

Cross Solutions Towing & Recovery, Inc

Plaintiff,

v.

Unknown Owner

Defendant,

TAKE NOTICE the petitioner has filed with the clerk a petition in proper form indicating that the petitioner has a valid lien against a 1970 Dodge, ID No. JS23N0B338011, and that the petitioner shall have the right to sell to the highest bidder the motor vehicle listed. Court date set for March 14 at 9:30 AM at 316 Fayetteville Street 3rd floor Raleigh NC 27601.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Cross Solutions Towing & Recovery Inc
5414 Cowan Ln
Raleigh, NC 27610
919-909-4040
2/23 and 3/2/23
NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION Small Claims Division File No. 23 CV 000543

Cross Solutions Towing & Recovery, Inc

Plaintiff,

v.

Unknown Owner

Defendant,

TAKE NOTICE the petitioner has filed with the clerk a petition in proper form indicating that the petitioner has a valid lien against a 1973 Dodge, ID No. WP29M3A249489, and that the petitioner shall have the right to sell to the highest bidder the motor vehicle listed. Court date set for March 14 at 9:30 AM at 316 Fayetteville Street 3rd floor Raleigh NC 27601.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Cross Solutions Towing & Recovery Inc
5414 Cowan Ln
Raleigh, NC 27610
919-909-4040
2/23 and 3/2/23
NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION Small Claims Division File No. 23 CV 000544

Cross Solutions Towing & Recovery, Inc

Plaintiff,

v.

Unknown Owner

Defendant,

TAKE NOTICE the petitioner has filed with the clerk a petition in proper form indicating that the petitioner has a valid lien against a 1955 Chrysler, ID No. W5591111, and that the petitioner shall have the right to sell to the highest bidder the motor vehicle listed. Court date set for March 14 at 9:30 AM at 316 Fayetteville Street 3rd floor Raleigh NC 27601.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Cross Solutions Towing & Recovery Inc
5414 Cowan Ln
Raleigh, NC 27610
919-909-4040
2/23 and 3/2/23
NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION Small Claims Division File No. 23 CV 000545

Cross Solutions Towing & Recovery, Inc

Plaintiff,

v.

Unknown Owner

Defendant,

TAKE NOTICE the petitioner has filed with the clerk a petition in proper form indicating that the petitioner has a valid lien against a 1955 Chrysler, ID No. W5591111, and that the petitioner shall have the right to sell to the highest bidder the motor vehicle listed. Court date set for March 14 at 9:30 AM at 316 Fayetteville Street 3rd floor Raleigh NC 27601.

GRIN and BEAR IT



"Could you dance around that one again, Senator?"

Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



Classifieds

WAKE COUNTY

Cross Solutions Towing & Recovery, Inc
Plaintiff,
V.
Unknown Owner

Defendant,
TAKE NOTICE the petitioner has filed with the clerk a petition in proper form indicating that the petitioner has a valid lien against a 1964 Dodge, ID No. 1160147717, and that the petitioner shall have the right to sell to the highest bidder the motor vehicle listed. Court date set for March 14 at 9:30 AM at 316 Fayetteville Street 3rd floor Raleigh NC 27601.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.
Cross Solutions Towing & Recovery Inc
5414 Cowan Ln
Raleigh, NC 27610
919-909-4040

2/23 and 3/2/23
NORTH CAROLINA
WAKE COUNTY

In The General Court Of Justice
District Court Division
Small Claims
File No. 23 CV 00986

COMPLAINT TO ENFORCE
POSSESSORY LIEN ON MOTOR
VEHICLE

Carolina Auto Body
6400 Poole Road
Raleigh, NC 27610
c/o PO Box 46882
Raleigh, NC 27620
vs.
Unknown Owner,

TO: Unknown Owner
TAKE NOTICE the petitioner has filed with the clerk a petition in proper form indicating that the petitioner has a valid lien against a 2019 Kaufman Trailer, ID No. 5VGF3426KL006029 and that the petitioner shall have the right to sell to the highest bidder the motor vehicle listed on March 15, 2023 at WCCH, 316 Fayetteville Street,

Third Floor, at 9:30 a.m. You are required to make a defense to such pleading before such date and time.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.
c/o PO Box 46882
Raleigh, NC 27620
6400 Poole Road
Raleigh, NC 27610
2/23, 3/2 and 3/9/23

HARNETT COUNTY

NORTH CAROLINA
HARNETT COUNTY

In the General Court of Justice
District Court Division
NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
File Number: 23 CVD 152

Tanya Iveth Leiva Flores,
Plaintiff

Vs.
Luis Hilario Martinez Herrera,
Defendant
TO: LUIS HILARIO MARTINEZ
HERRERA

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Judgment for Absolute Divorce. You are required to make defense to such pleading no later than forty (40) days from the first date of the publication of this Notice, and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This, the 9th day of February 2023.
Tanya Iveth Leiva Flores
Plaintiff
402 S. 14th St
Erwin, NC 28339
T: 616-500-0296
February 09, 2023, February 15, 2023, and February 23, 2023.

JOHNSTON COUNTY

NORTH CAROLINA
JOHNSTON COUNTY
In the General Court of Justice
Civil District Division
File Number: 22 CV 003948
NOTICE OF SERVICE OF
PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

Daniel Evans,

PLAINTIFF

vs.
Jena Marie Lewis,

DEFENDANT.

TAKE NOTICE that a pleading

seeking relief against you has been filed in the above action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: Plaintiff is seeking judgment for absolute divorce.

You are required to make defense to such pleading no later than the 6th day of April, 2023, which is 40 days from the first publication of this notice. Upon your failure to file a pleading by the above date, the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This the 23rd day of February, 2023.

Daniel Evans
196 Lee Trace Dr
Smithfield, NC 27577-2757
2/23, 3/2 and 3/9/23

D/M/WBE

SUBCONTRACTORS/SUPPLIERS WANTED

Pipeline Utilities, Inc. (NC General Contractor License No. 325) is seeking certified DBE, MBE, and WBE subcontractors and suppliers for the Atkins Drive and Canterbury Road Water Line Replacement project for the City of Raleigh Public Utilities Division which bids March 7, 2023, at 2:00 PM. Plans and specifications for this project are available at the following locations: Pipeline Utilities, Inc.; 2204-F Associate Drive; Raleigh, NC 27603 * CORPUD offices, One Exchange Plaza, Suite 620; Raleigh, NC 27601 * Highfill Infrastructure Engineering, PC; 2703 Jones Franklin Road, Suite 201; Cary, NC 27518 * Dodge Data and Analytics website * Construct-Connect website * Construction Journal website * NC Institute of Minority Economic Development (NCIMED) website.

Potential subcontracting opportunities include but are not limited to surveying, hauling, asphalt paving, striping, traffic control, erosion control, seeding, bypass pumping, CIPP, flatwork, manhole rehab, and manhole lining. Please contact Tim Hogan (thogan@pui-nc.com) if you are interested in submitting a proposal on any portion(s) of this project. Contact via phone 919-772-4310, ext.: 107; fax: 919-772-3261; or email. All quotations will be accepted up to bid closing time of the bid date. Pipeline Utilities, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Please advise if assistance is needed with obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials, or insurance/bonding to satisfy the work requirements. We are willing to accept quotations for all or partial quantities and items of work. We can offer 2-party check payments and quick payment agreements, but the agreements need to be negotiated prior to the bid date.

PUBLIC NOTICES

LICENSE GENERAL CONTRACTORS EVENT

City of Raleigh - Housing and Neighborhoods is seeking licensed general contractors for residential rehabilitation and capital improvement projects. Information session will be held on Monday, March 6th at Chavis Community Center from 10:30 a.m. to Noon.

For questions email cd.info@raleighnc.gov

ATTENTION SUBCONTRACTORS

Clancy & Theys Construction Co. is soliciting subcontractors to submit **PRE-QUALIFICATIONS** for the **Glenn Elementary School** project in Durham NC. Completed pre-qualification forms are due in our office by **3/21/23** for Bid Packages: 0210-Bldg Cleaning, 0240-Demo&Abatement, 0300-Turnkey Concrete, 0400-Masonry, 0500-Structural/Misc Steel, 0710-Wtrproofing/Sealants, 0740-Metal Panels, 0750-Roofing, 0780-Fireproofing, 0810-Doors/Frames/Hardware, 0840-Alum./Glass, 0920-Drywall, 0930-Tile, 0950-ACT, 0960-Resil&Cpt, 0990-Painting, 1000-Specialties, 1070-Canopies 1230-Educ. Casewrk, 1140-Food Svc. Equip., 1150-Playgrnd Equip., 1220-Window Trtment, 1410-Elevator, 2100-Fire Prot., 2200-Plumbing, 2300-HVAC, 2600-Elec., 3100-Turnkey Sitework, 3160-Special Foundations, 3240-Fencing, 3270-Site Concrete, 3290-Landscaping. Subcontractors must be pre-qualified to submit a bid. Bid Documents will be available 3/27/2023. Construction is scheduled to start December 2023.

This is a 70k sf renovation of existing building with an addition of 2 level classroom wing, media ctr wing, & gym.

Pre-qualification forms & bid package descriptions are available by contacting Jessicabates@clancytheys.com by email. Durham Public School System and Clancy & Theys have an affirmative policy of fostering, promoting, & conducting business with minority owned enterprises. Minority contractors are encouraged to participate in the subcontractor pre-qualification process.



Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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